Pittsfield (MA) Parks Department Scrapbooks

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OUT OF CONTROL: Although a number of the boys jumping in the Park Department's ski jumping contest at Pittsfield State forest made excellent showings in the air, very few did so good at the bottom of the hill. These are some of the many spills.

35 Youngsters Pass Tests in Ski Courses

2-7-53

Park Department ski pupils can prove their ability this winter for the first time as certificates were given those successfully completing the 10-lesson course in January and February.

The cards are signed by the examiner, Winthrop N. Gutmann, co-director of the Berkshire Ski School, who was in charge of the instruction. On the back of the card, the skill tests passed by the skier in the final examination are indicated. The tests ranged from walking on the level, snow plow, stem christies to jump turns.

Thirty-five skiers took the tests Friday at Clapp Park.

Joan Rosa Engaged to Clifford Bona

2-21-53

1950 Carnival Queen To Wed P.O. Employe In July 4 Ceremony

Mr. and Mrs. Gino Rosa of 43 Gordon Street today announced the engagement of their daughter, Joan Arlene, to Clifford Thomas Bona,

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Miss Joan A. Rosa

son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Bona of 26 Peck's Road. The wedding is planned for July 4.

Miss Rosa graduated from Pittsfield High School, and, in 1952, from the Tobé-Coburn School for Fashion Careers, New York. She is an assistant buyer at England Brothers. Miss Rosa was 1950 winter carnival queen.

Mr. Bona, also a Pittsfield High School graduate, is employed at the Post Office. During the war, he served in the Army for two years, 1½ of which were spent in the South Pacific.

Skater Injured

2-15-53

Alfred G. Boryta, 13, of 68 Grove Street suffered a dislocated shoulder Saturday afternoon in a fall on the ice at Springside Park while skating.

Johnny Seely Is Top Skier In City Meet

2-14-53

Harry Hamilton Sweeps Events In Senior Class

Despite a steady downpour which turned the course into almost sheer ice, little Johnny Seely, one of Pitesfield's up-and-coming young skiers, won the downhill race and placed third in the slalom in the intermediate class in the annual city ski meet at the state forest yesterday.

Seely's winning time of 27.2 seconds in the downhill and his combined time for two runs of 77.9 seconds in the slalom was good enough to give him the annual Berkshire Evening Eagle trophy — highest award in the meet. The intermediate division included competitors between 12 and 13.

In the senior class, Harry Hamilton, a member of the Pittsfield High ski team, swept to victory in both the downhill and slalom. His downhill time was 29.1 seconds and his combined time in the slalom totaled 85.2 seconds. Edward O'Hearn, clocked in 35 seconds flat, was first in the junior boys' downhill while Evan Hendricks, with an aggregate time of 98.4 seconds, captured the slalom.

Hamilton Top Senior

Hamilton, of course, won the senior class trophy, and Hendricks, who also placed third in the downhill, won the junior division award.

Leonard Lipschitz, another Pittsfield High skier, was second in the senior downhill. His time was 32.8 seconds. Paul Sutherland, who normally competes for PHS as a cross-country and jumping racer, was third at 33 seconds flat. Lipschitz also finished second in the senior slalom in 85.8 seconds for two runs, and Sutherland was third in 55.5. He only made one run.

Eric Latimer finished behind Seely in the intermediate downhill in 30.3 seconds, while Robert Hawbolt was third in 30.8 seconds. Hawbolt was second in the slalom in his class in 76.9, and Latimer was first in 75.7.

William Seely finished behind O'Hearn in the junior downhill and his time was 40.6 seconds. Jeffrey Burns was second in the slalom and O'Hearn was third.

38 Skiers Entered

In all, 38 young skiers from Pittsfield competed, including five girls who raced with the boys. The meet was late starting because of the severe icy conditions.

Following the events, Winthrop N. Gutmann, chairman of the meet, presented Sandra Garmish an award honoring his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop P. Gutmann, for being the outstanding skier in the Park Department's junior ski program.

City ski meet champions received their awards from Connie Dillon, newly-crowned Park Department winter carnival queen.

Other officials serving with Mr. Gutmann included Jack Deloye, starter; Max Montgomery, Fred Pomeroy, Mrs. Bartlett Hendricks and Mrs. Patricia Seely, gatekeepers; Mrs. William Litty, registrar; Frank Limont, recorder; and William Litty, result tabulator.

Sliding, Skiing At Springside, Clapp

2-11-53

The Park Department announced today that sliding and skiing will be held from 3.30 to 9.30 PM at both Springside and Clapp Parks, with the tow in operation at Clapp. Skating also is scheduled for Springside.

A ski instruction program began at 3.30 this afternoon at Egremont School. The Community Center at Hibbard School will open at 6.30.

Sadie Wowk Heads Committee on Winter Sports

2-17-53

Sadie M. Wowk

Sadie M. Wowk of 37 Abbott Street, long a winter sports enthusiast and promoter in this area, last night was elected chairman of the Park Department's winter sports committee for next season. She succeeds Mr. and Mrs. William Litty, chairmen of the 1952-53 committee.

Sanford Bookless was named vice-chairman, while Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Gogan were chosen treasurer and secretary respectively.

Miss Wowk, who is co-owner of Wowk Jewelers, has been on the winter sports committee for the past five years. She was secretary of the committee this year, and chairman of the 1952 winter carnival ball. Miss Wowk is secretary of the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Berkshire County and a member of the Mount Greylock Ski Club, the Berkshire Hills Country Club and the Chamber of Commerce, of Beta Kappa chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. In addition, she is on the executive committee of the Berkshire County Camp Fire Girls.

2-17-53

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CITY SKI MEET WINNERS: Carnival queen Connie Dillon, left, presents trophies to division winners of the two-event city ski meet Sunday afternoon at the Pittsfield State Forest. Next to her is John Seely, intermediate group winner and recipient of The Eagle award as outstanding skier. Others, in the usual order, are: Harry Hamilton, senior class winner; Sandra Garnish, who received an award as the most improved skier in Park Department junior classes; and Evan Hendricks, junior winner.

Pittsfield Bids For North American Skating Title Races

3-3-53

Pittsfield will put in a bid to hold the 1954 North American Outdoor Speed Skating championships, held here once before in 1950.

At a meeting of the Winter Sports Committee last night in the Parks and Recreation Department office, Francis Douglas was appointed to request national sanction to hold the important meet here and to make preliminary plans. The sum of $750 was voted to defray the expenses incurred in the planning.

Park Department Commissioner Vincent J. Hebert was authorized to take whatever steps necessary to help in the development of skiing, including the purchase of an additional rope tow. It was voted to pay $50 towards the expense of Johnny Seely's trip to the USEASA junior downhill and slalom championships March 14 and 15 at Sunapee, N.H. The young racer has won or placed well in every event he has entered this winter.

An unstipulated amount was also voted for the promotion of figure skating in the city.

Junior Ski Team To Be Formed Here

3-4-53

The Parks and Recreation Department today announced plans to sponsor a junior competitive ski team as part of its program to promote skiing in the city.

All interested parents and young skiers (10 to 17) have been invited to meet with Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert tomorrow night. Representatives from the Mount Greylock Ski Club will also attend. Those planning to attend should call Mr. Hebert for information on when and where the meeting will be held.

The proposed racing team will be similar in organization to the department's speed skating team, with the parents and the skiers working together.

Button Sales Netted $1500 for Winter Sports

3-10-53

Twenty-five members of the Park Department's winter sports committee attended the organization's annual banquet last night at Ida & John's Restaurant in Hancock. William Litty, committee cochairman this winter, gave a short talk, and Henry Bonnett, the department's recreation supervisor, submitted a treasury report.

The report showed a profit of $1500 realized through the recent winter carnival button sale which totaled $3665. The profits were divided three ways with the largest amount, $750, going into a fund to make it possible for the city to bid for the North American speed skating championships next winter. The sum of $500 was allocated for skiing promotion and $250 will be used for figure skating promotional purposes.

Movies of this year's winter sports events were shown, and Miss Sadie Wowk, newly-elected committee chairman for next winter, was introduced. Sanford Bookless will be vice-chairman, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gogan will be secretary and treasurer respectively next winter.

23 Local Youngsters Race In Annual City Sled Event

2/15/54

Six Pittsfield youngsters, their runners as fast as greased lightning, scored victories at Clapp Park Saturday afternoon in the seventh annual city sled races.

Jimmy Preston and Denise Goswal, competing in the nine-and-under age group, were the youngest winners. Tommy Roddy was second, and Bobby Stickles was third in the boys' division, while Louise Daviau and Nancy Wetzel were second and third respectively in the girls' class.

Dick Brassard took the race for boys under 11, followed by Kenneth Zopf and Dick Silvernail. Charlotte Werner won the girls' race in this division, while Jean Brooks was second and Margaret Noble was third.

Finishing first in the race for boys under 13 was Roger Lasch. He was followed by Peter Williamson and David Trumble. Judith Goswal won the girls' race in this class. Josephine Daviau was second and Patsy Carpenter was third.

Twenty-three youngsters, many of them sporting new Christmas sleds, competed, and the winners received their ribbons from Ann Driscoll, newly-crowned 1954 winter carnival queen.

Four of the winners repeated their 1953 victories. They were Kenneth Zopf, Richard Silvernail, Charlotte Werner and Margaret Noble.

Robert Lockwood, one of the place judges, won the special race for officials. Other officials were: Curtis Tucker, starter; Alfred Patton, clerk of course; John Wetzel and Alan Schoonmaker, place judges; George Hiltpold, registrar; and Mrs. Stanley Norton, announcer.

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Winter Sports Jobs Applications Ready

Application blanks are now available at the Park & Recreation Department office, 52 School St., for persons desiring employment as winter sports area supervisors and laborers. Applicants must be 18 years old or older.

Positions open include skating, sliding and ski area supervisors, ski tow operators, and laborers for ice making. No experience is needed, although some mechanical ability is desirable for ski tow operators.

Wages for the various positions are as follows: Area supervisors, 90 cents an hour; ski tow operators, $1 an hour; laborers, $1.25 an hour. Hours of employment may be arranged on part or full-time basis, however all positions full or part-time are dependent on weather conditions.

The department, weather conditions permitting, plans to operate a minimum of five skating areas, Springside, Common, Clapp, Deming, Osceola, and two skiing areas, Clapp and Osceola. An estimated 30 positions are open.

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Doings at Deming 4-6-53

FAIR OR FOUL

By Roger O'Gara

AFTER ALMOST 11 years of obscurity, Dorothy Deming Field this summer will be the baseball hot-spot of Pittsfield. The lay-out, as you knew it, will be no more. Parks and Recreation Department men are building two separate ball parks at opposite ends of the large tract.

The field will be the operating base for the Little Bigger League and the East Little League. The 13-15 year old unit played its first season last summer on the Common. It's unlikely that there will be any baseball on the Common after the junior high leagues close in June. The East Little League is moving from Root Field, where it had its games in 1951 and 1952. The change was necessitated by the construction of the new South Junior High.

The main Deming diamond, which was laid out in 1940, will become right and center field for the new regulation surface. This means that they'll bat from a spot to the left of the entrance of the park toward the general direction of Ontario Street. Home plate on the old diamond was to the right of the main gate.

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A HIGHER screen will be erceted behind home plate. Park superintendent Vin Hebert believes that the new set-up will save many baseballs. Losses under the old arrangement often were heavy, because fouls didn't have to travel far to leave the park. Pittsfield's entry in the Canadian-American League used Deming for the entire 1941 season and until July, 1942, when it transferred to Wahconah Park.

St. Joseph's High will use the old diamond for practice until the new base paths have been defined. It's expected that the change-over will be completed in time for the parochial school team to play most of its home contests on the new field.

Little Leaguers will bat from what was the right field corner under the old set-up. Their right field will be deep right center field of the layout which is being abandoned.

A STEEL WIRE fence will be erected around the Little League field. It will conform to nationally-prescribed measurements. The barrier will be 180 to 190 feet from home plate.

This fence will be approximately in center field of the new regulation diamond. Hebert estimates that it will be about 300 feet from the home plate of the larger surface. The Little Bigger League undoubtedly will make a blow over this and into the Little League park a homer. The high schools also should recognize such a drive as good for the distance. Some major leaguers get circuit clouts for less.

Hebert says that the steel wire fence is costlier than a wooden one would be, but doesn't pose nearly as much of a maintenance problem. He has an answer for those who were disturbed to think that an open steel fence would rob a home run of its true proportions of beauty. In other words, you can see a ball disappear over a wooden fence. Yet when the barrier is steel, you see it all the way. In order to retain an aesthetic touch, Hebert promises to make available a canvas which can be draped all the way round the fence. That's a large and important concession to art.

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THE CITY COUNCIL, after considerable discussion, recently voted approval of a $2500 appropriation for erection of three Little League fences. The other two will be at Wahconah Field and Clapp Park, the homes of the North and West Little Leagues, respectively.

Wahconah Field, the area between Wahconah Park and the Holy Family Church, has been under water recently, but should be ready for the opening of tryouts within two weeks.

The West Little League will start its second season on what was at one time the Clapp Park softball diamond. However, come another year, and it probably will be transferred to newly-acquired property at the West Housatonic Street playground. Hebert reports that considerable preliminary grading has been done at this tract, which is south of the present field.

Vets Awarded Little Bigger League Berth

4-11-53

Boys' Organization Will Continue With Six Teams

A franchise in the Little Bigger Baseball League was awarded last night to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, President S. Lester Balmer announced today. He said that the VFW will take the place of the Jets, a multi-sponsored team in 1952.

The league for boys from 13 through 15 years of age will continue with six teams, Balmer added. The granting of a berth to the VFW, leaves the Rams as the only league member with more than one sponsor.

The change was voted at a meeting of the board of directors at the Parks and Recreation Department's office. Monday, April 20 was designated as the date for registration of players. Candidates will be enrolled at Deming Field, Clapp Park and the Brown Street Field at 10 AM and at Wahconah Park at 2 PM. Coaches Francis (Peanut) Grady, Bill Morrison and Francis Douglas will be in charge.

Tryouts have been scheduled for the Common Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights, April 22, 23 and 24 at 6 PM and Saturday morning, April 25 at 10.

HIGH SCHOOL coaches, who occasionally suffer from parental attempts to influence decisions on personnel and strategy, wouldn't feel so sorry for themselves if they could see the Easter egg hunt. The percentage of doting fathers and mothers actively competing in the two younger divisions yesterday at Clapp Park was disgraceful. It would be well in another year for the Parks and Recreation Department to lay out a pen for grasping parents, and let them compete against those in their own age bracket.

Park League Opens Season On May 18

5-7-53

Fourteen Teams Will Compete in Two Divisions

The Park Department announced today that 14 teams have been signed to play in its softball league this season.

The league will be divided into two seven-team divisions. Playing in the A bracket will be: Postal AC, Eagles' Club, Berkshire Eagle, GE Toolers, Lichtman Leather, Ricchi's Service Station and Stanley's Grill. Teams in the B division will be: England Brothers, Eaton Paper, E. D. Jones, GE Drafters, Honiker's Service Station, Brady's Market and Richman Club.

The top four teams have been seeded. They are Ricchi's, last year's champions, Stanley's Grill, Brady's Market and the Richman Club. The other 10 squads were drawn by lots.

Each division will play three rounds beginning Monday, May 18. All games will be played at Deming Field, with the A division on diamond No. 2, and the B division on diamond No. 3. Each team will play 18 games. Contests will start at 6. 30 PM.

John Lyons, Sam Quadrozzi and Dick Moon will serve on the league commission this season.

Two Optimists

FAIR OR FOUL 4-8-53

By Roger O'Gara

WHAT'S the roughest sports assignment in these parts? Oh sure, various phases of football, hockey, polo, wrestling and yes, even basketball, are quite a strain. Yet I submit that the most arduous athletic work will be done this spring and summer by two men who won't even put on a glove or swing a bat in competition. They are semipro baseball promoters Joe Borletto and Dan Healy.

Twenty-eight-year-old Borletto, the never-say-die manager of the Buick Tyler Aces, faces a tremendous headache in attempting to entice people into the nice, new Wahconah Park grandstand.

Healy, 33, has staked out an ambitious operation at Bennington, Vt. So he'll win mileage honors automatically, although his actual labor probably won't measure up to Borletto's.

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BOTH ARE OPTIMISTIC—to the extreme. Borletto, completely oblivious to Pittsfield's indifference to semipro baseball for years, feels that he almost has it made. He tells me that his club has more than $800 in the "kitty." This makes it the largest baseball feline Borletto ever has reared. Most of the money has come from the sale of advertisements for a program, although some was realized on season tickets.

Meanwhile Borletto proceeds to add players and dollars with an enthusiasm which shines like a beacon light through a cloud bank of cynicism. His latest acquisition is Milton Gardner, who pitched and batted the team all the way from Canton, Mass., to Wichita, Kan., last summer. Gardner has returned from the Philadelphia Phillies' minor league training base in North Carolina.

Borletto says Milton decided to give up professional baseball after pulling a leg muscle. Gardner's presence in an Aces' uniform is an inspiring testimony to Borletto's persuasiveness and the recuperative qualities of Berkshire air.

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BORLETTO'S DEDICATION to the task at hand was emphasized to the fullest this week when a well-meaning friend suggested that he reduce the dosage. He had announced that games will be presented three times a week at Wahconah—on Tuesday and Friday nights and Sunday afternoons.

The adviser recommended two contests a week. Joe didn't pause for a second in spurning the idea.

"What," he exclaimed indignantly, "not with nine pitchers."

One suspects that the amplitude of mound talent could serve as a base for a psychological operation. It would be a masterful stroke to dress only four for each game, and send the other five into the stands. In a pinch, this quintet could spell the difference between a poor and fair crowd. People like company, you know.

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BORLETTO CONFINES his worries to finance and its many off-shoots, such as the solicitation of advertisements, the sale of tickets, and the bargaining on guarantees. Healy handles those, and also tackles strategy.

Of course Dan will have more time for the mental side, because he won't have to sell the sport to people who have been almost openly hostile to it. Bennington for years supported a team in the Northern League.

Dan has a full day. He opens WBRK in the morning, knocks off in early afternoon for a drive to Bennington for advertisements and consultations with a few baseball-minded men, and hops back here in time for his 6.15 sports show. He says business has been good.

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DAN ALSO PLANS three games a week, but he won't start as early as Borletto. Joe is chafing at the bit, and wants to push off Sunday, May 10. Dan will begin late in June, for two reasons. First, most of his players won't be available until then, because many will be with Pittsfield High. And secondly, he doesn't want to risk any weather uncertainty. The Vermont nights are cold until well into June. His operation will be exclusively arc-light.

Most of Dan's men will be from his 1952 All-America tournament championship team. He isn't certain of Charley Garivaltis and Larry Bossidy. Those two have opportunities to play in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

Dan is adding three older heads—Rit Flynn, Eddie McMahon and Pete Caden. Then, so that the club won't have too much of a Hessian tinge, he has engaged Darrell (Squirrel) Sawyer and Francis (Butch) Corbett, home town boys.

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FLYNN AND McMAHON had brief experiences in pro ball. Flynn, a smart catcher, will be a player-coach. He also will assist Dan in the direction of a Junior City League entry. Caden played first base for several fast teams in the Marine Corps. McMahon received a $6000 bonus from the Cincinnati Reds as a shortstop, but has played first base for more than a year.

Sawyer, the little fellow who starred in three sports for Bennington High and Arnold College, now is head basketball coach at Bennington High. He can be used as an infielder or outfielder. Corbett is a good-sized boy who hits a long ball.

It's likely that the Pittsfield and Bennington teams will meet often during the summer. They may come together more frequently than they anticipate unless more teams are organized in the area.

At the moment, the only other team which has announced that it will be in the field is the Williamstown American Legion, whose manager will be popular Fred Walden. Pittsfield's Walt Creer, the Williams College third baseman, has agreed to play with this team. A fashion scout reports that the Williamstown uniforms are in, and greatly resemble the autumn foliage at its peak. Dalton, a perennial power in semipro circles, hasn't done anything about a team as yet. The Stockbridge management, which changed its name from Indians to Rebels as a matter of economic necessity last summer, recently deferred its decision.

Little Leagues Prepare for First Drills 4-15-53

East Unit Starts Saturday—West To Begin April 26

Plans for opening workouts were announced today by two of the city's three Little Baseball Leagues. The East will have its first Saturday morning at 10 at Root Field. The North will start Sunday afternoon, April 26 at 2.30 at Wahconah Field.

Officials emphasized that these practices will be for new candidates only. Holdover players will be called later.

Letters for parents will be distributed to the East aspirants Saturday by G. D. Heye, players' agent for the league. They read, in part, as follows: "Your son was given a numbered card to be worn at all try-out sessions. This card enables the managers and coaches, with the aid of their check lists, to identify your boy while he is on the field. They will thus know what age group he is eligible for, his position preference, etc. Please impress him with the importance of wearing it in plain sight during all try-outs and tell him to secure a replacement card if he should lose it."

James M. Burke, secretary of the North League, said that application forms will be distributed at the initial work-out. He added that the North League is for boys who live in any precinct of Wards 1, 2 and 7.

Softball League Sets Deadline for Entering Teams 4/23

Park Department Softball League managers last night set Friday, May 1, as the deadline for teams to enter league competition this season. Applicants should contact Recreation Supervisor Henry A. Bonnet at the Park Department office, 52 School Street, before then.

Attending last night's meeting were representatives from Ricchi's Service Station, Richman Club, Brady's Market, England Brothers, Eaton Paper Corporation, Postal AC, Stanley's Grill, Eagles' Club and the GE Apprentices.

The team managers will meet again Wednesday night, May 6, at 7.30.

Enforcement Asked On Baseball Ban 4-17-53

A petition for enforcement of the ban on baseball playing at Crane Playground, opposite Crane School, has been filed at City Hall for consideration at the City Council's meeting tomorrow night.

The petition, signed by Paul W. Terry, 161 Benedict Road, and 16 other residents of the neighborhood, also requests a rule prohibiting golf playing on the playground.

According to the Park Department, signs prohibiting baseball were taken down for the winter last fall and will be put up again this week.

Balmer, Hebert, Sable Receive L.B. State Posts 5-2-53

The appointments of S. Lester Balmer and Vincent J. Hebert as assistant director and treasurer, respectively, of the Massachusetts Little Bigger Baseball League organization were announced today by director Colin A. Keegan. Balmer recently was elected president of the Pittsfield league. Hebert is serving his second year as treasurer of the local unit.

William Sable, sponsor of a team in the league, has been elected by the Pittsfield league to the state board of directors.

Keegan disclosed that the league will operate this summer in 11 Massachusetts cities. They are Pittsfield, North Adams, Adams, Great Barrington, Amherst, Northampton, Gardner, Fitchburg, Leominster, Shrewsbury and Southbridge. A year ago, Pittsfield, North Adams and Leominster were the only leagues in the state.

Park League Anticipates Good Season 4-21-53

Park Department Softball League officials said today they expect 1953 will be a banner season with nine teams already entered and more expected before the registration deadline Friday.

League managers will meet on Wednesday night, May 6, at the Park Department office, 52 School Street. At that time operating rules will be adopted regarding the number of teams and leagues, player age limit and entry fees.

Local teams interested in joining the circuit should contact Henry A. Bennett, Park Department recreation supervisor.

Softball Opening Is Postponed 5-1-53

The official opening of the City Softball League tonight has been postponed one week because of poor weather. The first games will be played next Monday night at Deming Field.

It was also announced that four teams, the Berkshire Eagle, the Richman Club and two GE squads, have dropped out of the league, reducing the number of competing clubs to 10.

Managers' Meeting 4-29

Managers of the Park Department Softball League teams will meet tonight at 7 in the department office, 52 School Street.

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5-20-53

GEORGE AUSTIN, who recently was transferred from Pittsfield to Rome, Ga., by the General Electric Company, has moved right into baseball down there. He has been elected vice-president of the Little League.

George was manager of community and employe relations during the late years of his Pittsfield service. He holds the same position at Rome. Back in the 1920s, he was a good outfielder with GE teams. He and his wife were ardent followers of Pittsfield's entries in the Canadian-American League, and he served for several years on the Park Commission.

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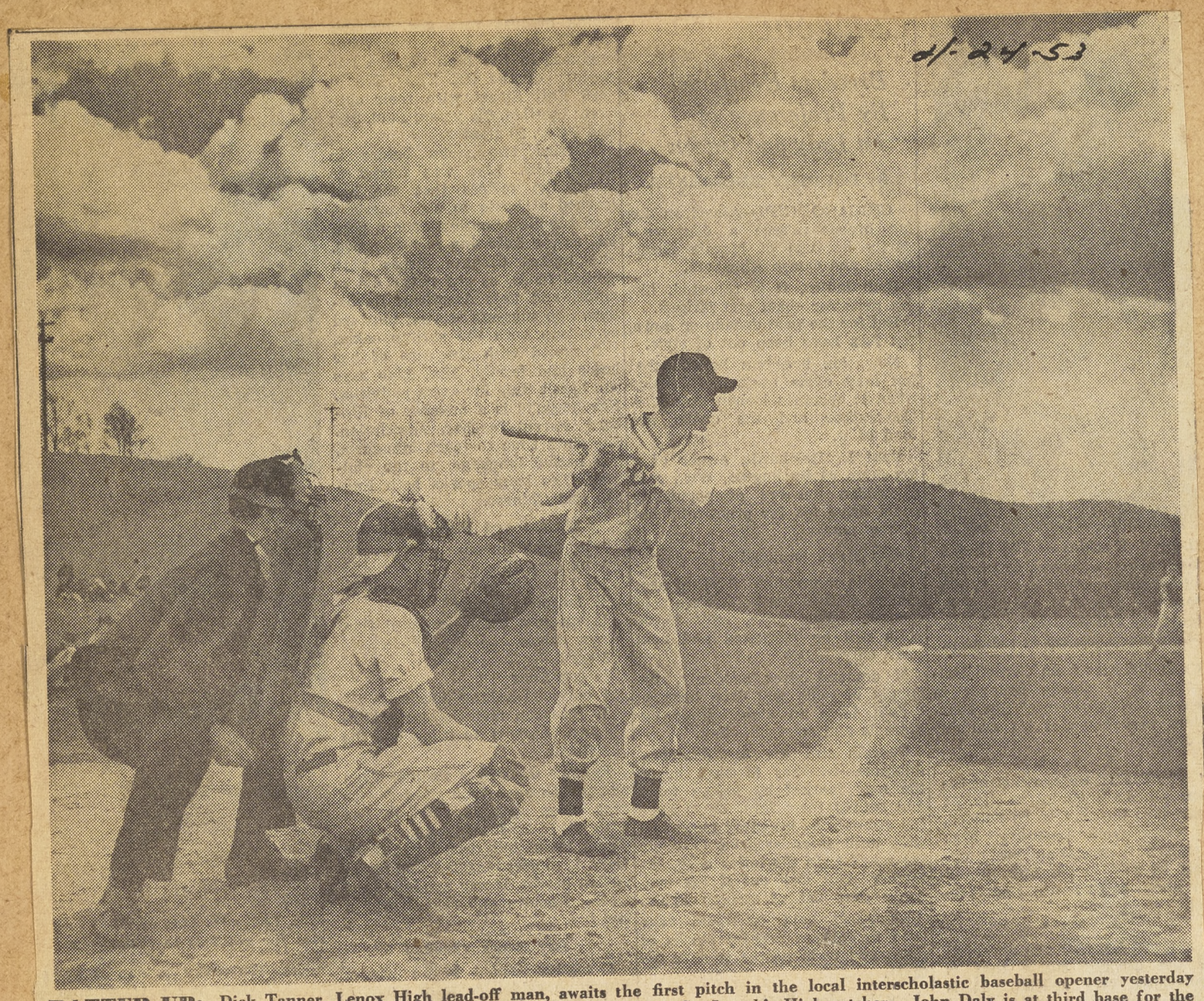

BATTER UP: Dick Tanner, Lenox High lead-off man, awaits the first pitch in the local interscholastic baseball opener yesterday afternoon at Clapp Park. Sam Russo is the umpire, Timmy Ryan Jr., the St. Joseph's High catcher. John Daly is at third base for the home team. St. Joseph's won 10-4.

Park League Opens Monday

4-23-53

All Contests Will Be Played At Deming Field

The Park Department's Softball League will open its 1953 season Monday night at 6.30 with a game between Brady's Market and the Postal AC at Deming Field. The contest will be played on diamond No. 2.

Other teams in the league's two divisions will swing into action Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

On Tuesday, England Brothers and Stanley's Grill will play on diamond No. 2, and the Richman Club and the Sanitation Department will play on diamond No. 3; on Wednesday, the GE Drafters and Honiker's will play on diamond No. 2, and the Eagles' Club and E. D. Jones will meet on diamond No. 3; and Thursday Ricchi's Sunoco and Eaton Paper will meet on diamond No. 2, and the Eagles' Club and Postal AC will battle on diamond No. 3.

All games will be played at 6.30 PM. Each squad in the two divisions will play 15 games with the winners meeting for the championship at the end of the season.

North Little League Names 60 Players to 1953 Roster

5-1-53

The playing rosters for the four teams in the North Little League have been announced. The lists include the names of 60 hold-overs and new players.

The league's policy is to hold all birth certificates until a player reaches the 12-year age limit. Candidates who failed to make the roster may get their certfiicates from James Burke, the league secretary.

The Pittsfield Co-op Bank and Shandoff's will practice at Wahconah Field Thursday night at 6, and Brady's Cleaners and C. & C. Motors will practice Friday night at 6.

The rosters:

SHANDOFF'S
Manager, Pete Pulasky.

Daniel DiNicola, Gerald MacWhinnie, Ernest Moglia, Allan Pharmer, Robert Pulasky, John Shulhan, Walter Suleski, Raymond Woitkowski, Walter McHendry, James Burke, James Collins, William Gazaw, Thomas Gilardi, Kirk Leslie, Peter Quagletti.

PITTSFIELD CO-OPERATIVE BANK
Manager, Larry Kimple.

Richard Barber, James Crowley, Robert Desrosiers, Thomas DuBois, Donald Hebler, Peter Mela, Richard Permerlani, Richard Scherben, David Sedgewick, David Storie, John Atkinson, Paul Brown, Anthony Passell, Jack Downing, Douglas Kimple.

C. & C. MOTORS
Manager, Les Ahlen.

Jon Ahlen, Peter Blair, John DiCicco, Charles Fezzie, Dennis Gallo, Michael Lankin, Duncan MacLeod, Cornelius Marshall, Anthony Russo, Richard Russo, George Schomyer, James Schomyer, Peter Kulis, Anthony Faustein, Bruce Walcott.

BRADY CLEANERS
Manager, Mike Arpante.

James Archey, Robert Burke, David Chapman, Dennis Conuel, James Goyette, Robert Lasch, Bruce McGivern, William Morrison, Douglas Pires, David Stella, James Hickey, Frank Russo, Richard Gull, James Karalun, Bernard Carmel.

West League Releases List Of Players

5-20-53

Complete Rosters Of Four Teams Are Announced

Complete rosters for the West Little Baseball League were announced today following an auction of players Monday night. League officials and managers met at the Elizabeth Street home of players agent Francis Douglas.

The ilst includes holdover members and first-year boys. It is as follows:

YELLOW CAB

Jim Keenan, Carm Jacobs, Fran Rahilly, Pete Pagones, Don DeGroat, Charlie Gaetani, Jack Sutton, Jan Gross, Ken King, Charlie Manzolini, Bob Roser, Dave Fetherstone, Larry Welch, Allen Francis, George Weldon.

EAGLES

Joe Williams, Dick Sheran, Mike Mole, Robert Lepp, Pete Maloney, Tony Teti, Robert Blair, Mark Kerwood, Bill Plankey, Ward Shandoff, John Flynn, Gary Soldato, Butch Boyd, John Powers, Mike Touhy.

Shamrocks

Edward Carroll, James Hassett, Richard Merrill, Francis O'Neil, Joseph Ryan, Richard Jacquot, David Jacquot, Thomas Curtis, Michael Calderella, Van Krechler, John Buckley, James Gardner, Philip Delmolino, Henry Kuchner.

CLEM FARRELL'S

Fran Panesco, Teddy Hoffman, Mat Jacoby, Shawn Tierney, George Garivaltis, Jeff Hagyard, Tommy Varanka, Jerry Terpak, Phil Scalvini, Dick Pizzuto, Will Turk, Harold Blake, Pete Panesco, Harry Bateman, Joe Kozaka.

College Baseball Results

Bowdoin 4, Colby 1, (7 inns.).
Dartmouth 11, Boston University 3.
Worcester Tech 3, Tufts 0.
Bridgewater 4, New Bedford Textile 1.
New York University 7, Army 4.
Northeastern 10, New Hampshire 7.
Middlebury 1, St. Michael's 0.
Maine 15, Bates 5.

Hebert's Baseball Proposals

FAIR OR FOUL

5-21-53

By Roger O'Gara

WHAT'S COMING UP? That's the perennial question of those interested in major league baseball teams and big-time university football squads. It's also a logical inquiry for a fellow like Vin Hebert of the Parks Department to make concerning amateur baseball in Pittsfield.

He isn't particularly worried about this year, for it's pretty much of a foregone conclusion that the Majestic Restaurant will acquit itself creditably in defense of the All-America tournament championship at Johnstown, Pa. The Majestics will qualify for automatic admission to the event because they have more than six holdover players.

Hebert insists that he is worried about several aspects of junior baseball. (That's the field which includes boys up to 19 years of age.) In the first place, he wonders whether the Junior City League over the years has helped to produce many good ball players or merely has enabled a few excellent ones to have a workout. Secondly, he points out that the enrollment of all the standouts on one club has been discouraging to the average boy.

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THE RESULT HAS BEEN that fewer boys in the 16, 17 and 18-year-old bracket are playing ball. There were only four teams in the league last year. A few seasons back, as many as eight were entered.

Everything will be all right, Hebert says, if the Little League and the Little Bigger League continue on a successful basis. So, in order to be sure that they do, he has come up with plans designed to precede and follow these two operations.

Working with interested men from the Little Leagues, he has considered the possibility of establishing a farm system for the little fellows who don't make the Little Leagues. Then he is proposing the creation of a county junior league and a new type of city junior league.

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HE AND HIS ASSOCIATES feel that the Little League farm system can be put over in Pittsfield with considerable hard work. It is used successfully in many other communities. It usually is a day-time operation, morning or afternoon, because the Little Leagues themselves play twilight games.

Vin already has started to canvass the high schools for volunteer helpers for the league. These people would serve only until late June, when the Park Department and its summer force would be able to absorb the program for the remainder of the season.

This league, for the most part, would be for enthusiastic boys from 8 through 10. The Little League age limit is 12.

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HEBERT'S PURPOSE in suggesting the formation of a county junior league is to provide a testing ground for the best players who would comprise the city's representative Johnstown tournament team. Pittsfield would have one entry. Five other communities could be chosen to complete a six-team league. Hebert would go so far as to draft players from Dalton, North Adams, Lenox, Williamstown, Lee or any other league team for play at Johnstown. That's providing, of course, that the tournament association sanctions such recruiting.

On the other hand, he'd like to see a well-balanced Junior City League for the purpose of giving as many boys as possible a chance to play and also to develop something for the representative team. The tournament-bound players wouldn't compete in the junior city league.

The new type of local league wouldn't have a big stake like a trip to the Johnstown tournament, but the outstanding players of the city championship team probably would qualify for membership on the tournament club the following summer. Hebert envisions a league made up of neighborhood clubs, which would follow ward lines closely. He said the titular series could be played under lights at Wahconah Park.

Postal AC Tops Brady's In Opener

5-26-53

The Postal AC beat Brady's Market, 5-4 in the Park Department Softball League opener at Deming Field last night.

Ed Bercury hurled a five-hitter for the winners and aided the offensive effort with a pair of safeties. Doc Fisher homered for Brady's in the first with one on, and Gene Pomerleau hit twice and scored twice. Ed Fitzgerald saved the day for Postal with a spectacular running catch of a long drive to deep left.

England Brothers will meet Stanley's Grill on diamond No. 2, and the Ric[illegible]n Club and the Sanitation D[illegible]nt will meet on Diamond No. 3 at 6.30 tonight.

Two Contests Slated Tonight In Park League

5-27-53

Two Park Department Softball League games are scheduled at 6.30 tonight at Deming Field. The GE Drafters and Honiker's Service Station will meet on diamond No. 2, and the Eagles and E. D. Jones will play on diamond No. 3.

Games last night between Stanley's Grill and England Brothers, the Richmond Cafe and the Sanitation Department were postponed until Friday night because of rain.

Are Released

Little League's First Day Pairings, East Minor League Roster

Shandoff's and Bank Team To Play in Initial Game

Farm System Teams Are the First In City's History—Lee Brothers, Tully and Evans Named as Coaches

Pairings for the Little League's season-opening triple-header at Wahconah Park Saturday afternoon and selection of players' lists for the East League's minor league were announced today.

The order of games will be: First, North League, Shandoff's vs. Pittsfield Co-operative; second, East League, Bill Sable's vs. Ed Johnson's; third, West, Shamrocks vs. Eagles.

Parade To Start at 12.30

Play will start at 1.30. All contests are listed for six innings. A formal inaugural day observance will start with a parade from the corner of North and Eagle Streets at 12.30, and will be culminated with the throwing of the first ball.

It is expected that two bands will play. The American Legion will supply a color guard. All players in the city's three leagues will be asked to march in uniform.

Mothers of all 12-year-old players will be invited to ride in the procession. League officials explained that this was regarded as a fitting touch, because boys of that age will be playing their final season in the Little League.

Others Expected

The minor league will be the first in the city's four-year history in Little League. It is expected that the West and North Leagues also will form farm systems.

The minor league, under national Little League rules, is designed to afford the opportunity of playing organized ball to those who have failed to make the regular league. It presumably will be a developing spot for future regular league material.

The following coaches have been appointed: Bob Lee, Bill Sable's; Dick Lee, Elks; Mike Tully, Crescent Creamery; and Herb Evans, Ed Johnson's. The Lee brothers and Tully are former Little League players. All three played last season in the Little Bigger League. Dick Le[illegible] and Tully are on the [illegible] High jayvees this spring. [illegible] as a regular outfielder for [illegible]tsfield Legion in 1952, and [illegible]seen considerable duty with [illegible] PHS varsity this season.

The young men were chosen on the recommendation of Art Fox, Pittsfield High coach, John Carmody, Pittsfield High physical education director, and Vincent Hebert, superintendent of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Most games will be played in the afternoon. League officials plan to provide T-shirts and caps for all players.

Players shortly will be notified about practice dates. Players' agent Gus D. Heye requests that parents instruct their boys to file registration forms with him. All players whose names appear on the selection list must comply with this requirement.

The rosters are as follows:

CRESCENT CREAMERY
Michael Tully, Coach
Lewis Wesley, Adviser Coach

Paul Chader, Larry DiGrigoli, Guido Lippera, Tom Doyle, Frank Suman, Jim Treat, Dick Dalrymple, Bill Heye, Fran Melle, Bob Hoag, Don Manzolini, Kirk Scharfenberg, John Turner, Jim Reynolds, Brian Sullivan.

ELKS
Richard Lee, Coach
John Nagle, Adviser Coach

John Carpenter, Dick Cimini, Mike Sturm, Bruce Tucker, Bob Cantarella, Tom Giddings, Tom Vallone, Don Bercury, Lee Hart, Gene Sitzman, Joe Ancora, Dick Beattie, Louis Lombardi, Leonard McCue, Connie McMahon, Shaun O'Donnell, John Sacchetti.

ED JOHNSON
Herbert Evans, Coach
James Tagliaferro, Adviser Coach

Craig Cooper, Joe Hollister, John Sinopoli, Bruce Barnett, Nils Krook, Butch Polidoro, Jim Farrell, Doug O'Brien, Bob Dassatt, Dave Haidak, Dave Monterosso, Craig Parent, Steve Ransford, Jan Selkowitz, Pete Shultes.

BILL SABLE
Robert Lee, Coach
Robert Boyer, Adviser Coach

Bob Maloy, Steve Roberts, Verne Viele, Alfred Barbalunga, John Frick, Tom Broderick, John Farrell, Paul Soroken, Bill Caparelli, Norm Duplis, Don Knollmeyer, Bernard L'Hote, Alan Provencher, Dave Lee, Bob Boyer.

Two Games Set For Tonight In Park League

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Barring another rain storm, four teams in the Park Department Softball League will play tonight at 6.30 at Deming Field. Ricchi's Sunoco will meet Eaton Paper on diamond No. 2, and the Eagles' club and Postal AC will play on diamond No. 3.

Games last night between the GE Drafters and Honiker's Service Station, and the Eagles' and E. D. Jones have been postponed until Monday night.

Little League Opens Tomorrow With Triple-Header at Wahconah Park

Parade Slated To Start On North Street at 12.30

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Louis Pia and Dave Frank Expected To Have Duel—Each League Will Have One Game—All Players Asked To Report

The largest parade and the most attractive program in the four-year Pittsfield history of the activity will launch the 1953 Little League baseball season tomorrow. Three games are scheduled at Wahconah Park.

Shandoff's vs Bank

Play will start at 1.30, with Shandoff's and Pittsfield Co-operative Bank meeting in a North League game. That will be followed by an East League contest between Bill Sable's and Ed Johnson's. A West League tilt in the finale will send the Shamrocks against the Eagles.

A parade from the corner of Melville and North Streets to the park will start at 12.30. All 180 league players are expected to report at the assembly point in uniform, regardless of whether their teams are playing.

The East League contest is expected to bring together two of the finest young pitchers in the city, Louis Pia of Sable's and Dave Frank of Johnson's. Both 12-year-olds will be starting their third and final seasons in league play. Both are right handers.

Shandoff's, the North League champion in 1952, was rated as one of the strongest teams in the city. The Shamrocks won the city crown in 1951, and repeated last season as West League titlist. There was no city play-off in 1952, because the East League All-Stars went so far in tournament play. They won the Western Massachusetts championship, and came close to qualifying for a place in the national World Series at Williamsport, Pa.

The parade formation will be as follows:

LINE OF MARCH

Colors.
Little League Officials.
Archey Scarafoni, commissioner.
Raymond Goodrich, past commissioner.
Burton Graham, secretary.
Vincent Hebert, treasurer.
East League Banner.
East League Officials.
James O'Brien, president and officers.
Band.
Two cars with mothers of 12-year-old players.
Two cars with mothers of 12-year-old players.
Crescent Creamery.
Elks.
Johnson's.
Sable's.
North League Banner.
North League Officials.
Francis Nichols, president, and officers.
Two cars with mothers.
Two cars with mothers.
Brady's.
C. & C. Motors.
Pittsfield Co-operative.
Shandoff's.
Band.
West League Officials.
Matthew Jacoby, president, and officers.
Two cars with mothers.
Two cars with mothers.
Eagles.
Farrell's.
Shamrock.
Yellow Cab.
Sound Truck.

The probable line-ups:

CO-OPERATIVE BANK

Storie, 3b; Kimple, 2b; Desrosiers, cf; Scherben, 1b; Crowley, rf; DuBois, c; Brown, ss; Atkinson, lf; Barber, Mela, Sedgwick, p.

SHANDOFF'S

Suleski, cf; Pulaski, 2b; Shuhan, c; Moglia, 1b; Gilardi, ss; MacWhinnie, p; Leslie, 3b; McHenry, rf; Collins, lf.

BILL SABLE'S

MacCartney, cf; Heidel, 2b; MacFayden ss; Scarafoni, c; Quadrozzi, 1b; Mazza, lf Sabato, 3b; P. O'Gara, rf; Pia, p.

ED JOHNSON'S

McKeever, ss; Starkey, c; O'Hearn, cf Frank, p; Bridges, 3b; Connolly, 1b; Rilla lf; Volin, 2b; Furey, rf.

SHAMROCKS

Hassett, ss; O'Neil, p; Freeland, 3b; Carroll, 1b; R. Jacquot, 1; Ryan, 2b; Merrill, lf; D. Jacquot, cf; Delmolino, rf.

EAGLES

Soldato, c; Maloney, 1b; Petti, 2b; Sheran, ss; Mole, p; Williams, cf; Lepp, rf; Kerwood, 3b; Plankey, lf.

RUSSO'S RINGER? Pudgy little Gary Soldato, 10-year-old catcher for the Eagles of the West League, listens to Coach George Russo, following protest concerning his eligibility. Before the Little League season opened yesterday afternoon at Wahconah Park, Ray Quinn, coach of the Shamrocks, notified President Matthew Jacoby that he objected to Russo's use of Soldato. He charged that the boy, a hidden star in the New Lebanon (N.Y.) Little League, had been "hidden" in the players' auction. He said that Soldato hadn't attended the prescribed number of pre-season practices.

Shandoff's, Sable's and Shamrocks Triumph in Li

Pia, Mac Whinnie, O'Neill All Pitch Effectively

Attendance at City-Wide Program Is Disappointing—Crowley, Carroll Hit Homers—West Has Game Tonight

Yesterday was S Day for the city's three Little Baseball League—the start of the fourth season of play for the popular 8-12-year-old activity and victories for three teams whose names start with that letter. Shandoff's, Sable's and Shamrocks all prevailed at Wahconah Park.

Parade Is Omitted

The attendance for the delayed city-wide opener was disappointing. The program originally was scheduled for Saturday afternoon, but was postponed because of rain. The traditional parade to the park was omitted yesterday.

Shandoff's defending North League champions walloped Pittsfield Co-operative Bank 8-1 in the first game. Bill Sable's won from Ed Johnson's 6-1 in an East League contest, and the Shamrock's two-time West League titlists concluded the long day with a 9-4 victory over the Eagles.

The West League will have a game tonight at 6.15 at Clapp Park. The Shamrocks will go against Clem Farrell's. Yellow Cab will oppose the Eagles tomorrow night.

East League Delayed

The East League will not be able to play at its new field at Deming Field until work on the diamond is completed and a fence is installed. Water trouble has delayed both operations.

Big Louis Pia, a 12-year-old veteran, held Ed Johnson's to 4 hits and fanned 11 in the East League game. His expected duel with Dave Frank, another 12-year-old, ended when Frank complained of arm trouble after holding Sable's scoreless for three innings. Frank became the Johnson's catcher, and Sable's, behind 1-0 when he left, fell on Donnie Starkey for two runs in the fourth. Starkey was shelled in a four-run uprising in the sixth, and Gene Connolly finished.

Don Sabato led the Sable's attack with a perfect day in three times at bat. Pia and George Quadrozzi had two safeties each. Billy McKeever and O'Hearn made two apiece for the losers.

Carroll Homers

Eleven-year-old Francis O'Neill pitched and batted the Shamrocks to their win. He effectively scattered eight hits, and had three himself. The Eagles jumped on him for two runs in the first, but he held them scoreless then until the sixth.

The Shamrocks clinched the game with three consecutive scoring innings, four in the third, two in the fourth and three in the fifth. Eddie Carroll started the third inning surge with a three-run homer.

Gerald MacWhinnie held Pittsfield Co-operative Bank scoreless until the sixth inning, when Charles Crowley homered. Mac Whinnie yielded only three hits.

The scores:

BILL SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, cf	3	0	1	1	0	0
Heidel, 2b	4	0	1	1	2	0
MacFayden, ss	4	0	1	0	2	0
Scarafoni, c	4	1	0	11	1	0
Quadrozzi, 1b	3	2	2	3	0	1
Mezza, lf	3	2	1	0	0	0
Sabato, 3b	3	1	3	1	1	0
Coughlin, rf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Pia, p	3	0	2	0	0	0
	30	6	11	18	6	1

ED JOHNSON'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McKeever, ss	2	1	2	0	1	2
Starkey, p, c	3	0	0	4	1	0
O'Hearn, cf	3	0	2	0	1	1
Frank, c, p	3	0	0	3	1	1
Bridges, 3b	3	0	0	2	1	0
Connolly, 1b, p	3	0	0	8	1	0
Constanzo, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Rilla, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Volin, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Furey, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Solin, 1b	0	0	0	1	0	0
	21	1	4	18	6	4

Sable's	000	204	—6
Johnson's	001	000	—1

Runs batted in, Sabato 2, Quadrozzi, Heidel, O'Hearn. Stolen bases, McKeever, Scarafoni. Left on bases, Sable's 7, Johnson's 5. Base on balls, off Pia 3, Connolly 1. Struck out, by Pia 11, Frank 3, Starkey 2, Connolly 2. Hits, off Frank, 2 in 3 innings; Starkey, 8 in 2 1-3; Connolly, 1 in 2-3. Passed balls, Scarafoni, Frank 2. Losing pitcher, Starkey. Umpires, Torchio, Meehan and Farrell. Time, 1h, 10m.

WEST LEAGUE

			R.	H.	E.
Shamrocks	004	230—	9	11	2
Eagles	200	002—	4	8	3

O'Neill and D. Jacquot; Mole and Soldato.

NORTH LEAGUE

			R.	H.	E.
Shandoff's	041	012—	8	12	1
Pitts. Co-operative Bank	000	001	1	3	4

MacWhinnie and Shulan; Mela, Sedgwick and Crowley.

SIX STARTERS: The half-dozen starting pitchers in the Little Baseball League season-opening triple-header yesterday afternoon at Wahconah Park go into their wind-ups for The Eagle cameraman. Left to right, the boys, their ages and teams are as follows: Francis O'Neill, 11, Shamrocks; Dave Frank, 12, Ed Johnson's; Louis Pia, 12, Bill Sable's; Mike Mole, 12, Eagles; Jerry MacWhinnie, 11, Shandoff's; and Pete Mela, 11, Pittsfield Co-operative Bank.

Yellow Cab Wins 5-4 in Little League

Eagles Beaten On Pagones' Hit In Fourth Inning

WEST LITTLE BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDING

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Shamrocks	2	0	1.000
Yellow Cab	1	0	1.000
Clem Farrell's	0	1	.000
Eagles	0	2	.000

A single by Butch Pagones drove in the tying and winning runs for Yellow Cab in a fourth-inning rally for a 5-4 victory over the Eagles in a West Little League contest last night at Clapp Park.

The Eagles went ahead 4-1 in the bottom of the first, but were held scoreless from there in by Keenan. Cam Jacobs of Yellow Cab and Mike Mole of the Eagles were the power hitters with doubles.

The line score:

			R.	H.	E.
Yellow Cab	101	300—	5	6	2
Eagles	400	000—	4	5	4

Keenan and DeGroat; Sheran and Soldato.

Mayor Slated To Throw Out First Pitch

Little Bigger Double-Header Starts at 1.30

Mayor Capeless is scheduled to throw out the first ball at the opening-day double-header of the second annual Little Bigger Baseball League season at Wahconah Park Saturday afternoon.

The first game between the VFW and St. Mary's will start at 1.30 PM. It will be followed by a battle between Besse-Clarke and the Rams.

The double-header will be preceded by a parade starting at 12.30 at the Common. All eight teams in the league will march with their sponsors, coaches and managers. VFW members will serve as a color guard and music will be furnished by the Pittsfield High band.

The parade will move up First Street, across Melville Street, up North Street, and down Wahconah Street to the ball park.

Four Little Bigger Teams Open Season Here Tomorrow

Half of Pittsfield's eight Little Bigger Baseball League teams will swing into action tomorrow afternoon in a season-opening double-header at Wahconah Park.

St. Mary's and the VFW will meet in the first game at 1.30, and Besse-Clarke and the Rams will oppose each other in the second.

But the twin bill is only a part of the opening-day story. Scheduled to begin an hour earlier at 12.30 PM is a colorful parade in which all players, managers and coaches will march to the music of the Pittsfield High School band up First Street, across Melville, up North and down Wahconah Streets to the ball park.

VFW members will serve as a color guard in the line of march.

As a special feature marking the opening of the league's second season in this city, Mayor Robert T. Capeless will throw out the first pitch before the St. Mary's-VFW contest.

The probable starting lineups:

ST. MARY'S	VFW
Greenleaf, lf	Burzamatti, 2b
Pellerin, ss	Clancy, rf
Bennett, 3b	Pulaski, ss
Noguiera, cf	Tully, c
LeClair, rf	Clayson, cf
Mitchell, c	Bresnahan, 1b
Gregory, 2b	Heidel, lf
Basiliere, 1b	Denno, 3b
Mazzeo, p	Walsh, p

BESSE-CLARKE	RAMS
Douglas, 2b	Pivero, 2b
Killackey, ss	Clark, lf
Cohen, p	Gamberoni, cf
Genzabella, lf	Manship, c
Brindle, c	Seeley, 3b
Carroll, 3b	Rodhouse, rf
Walsh, 1b	Radke, ss
Venti, lf	Lee, 1b
Siegel, rf	Schatz, p

Grill Men Top Eaton Paper In Park Loop

Stanley's Grill topped Eaton Paper, 7-3, in an American Division Park Department Softball League contest last night at Deming Field. A National Division game between E. D. Jones and the Richman Club was postponed.

Stan Kruczkowski pitched a four-hitter for Stanley's. John Winters was the heavy hitter for the winners with three safeties. All of the Eaton Paper runs came on Charley Monterosso's homer with two on.

Honiker's Service Station will meet Ricchi's Sunoco on Diamond No. 2, and E. D. Jones will play the Postal AC on diamond No. 3 in games at 6.30 tonight.

Pittsfield Set to Start Little Bigger League

Parade Will Launch Opening Day Activities Tomorrow Afternoon; Eight Teams Entered in Circuit

By ED TOOLE

Pittsfield, June 4—Little Bigger League baseball will make its season's official start here Saturday afternoon. Inaugurated last summer in order to provide activity in the national pastime for those youngsters who had graduated from the ranks of the Little League, this circuit is as popular as the peewee loops. And in order to make room for the many young baseball aspirants the circuit was enlarged to eight teams this year.

Twin-Bill Slated

On opening day a parade from the common up to North Street and on to Wahconah Park will launch the program. Seen in the line of march wil be the uniformed players of all teams, their coaches and league oficials along with Colin Keegan of this city who is state chairman of Little Bigger League baseball. Featured in the doubleheader will be St. Mary's and the Veterans of Foreign Wars in the opener and Besse-Clarkes and the Rams in the nightcap.

This season the league will be made up of the following clubs: Rams, coached by Lou Russo; Besse-Clarkes, coached by Fran Douglas; Veterans of Foreign Wars coached by Dick Zaccari; St. Mary's, coached by Bill Morrison; Bill Sables, coached by Bob Duquette and Billy Dinicola; Optimists, coached by Lou Van Buren; Team 1, coached by Lou Pia; and Team 2, coached by Bob Prendergast. The last two teams are designated by number at the present due to to the fact that sponsors are still being sought.

Beginning next week kid baseball will hit its full stride for it is hoped that the various diamonds will have been completed at that time and all the Little Bigger League clubs as well as he three Little Leagues will launch their schedules. To date the only games that have been played were a few in the West Little League.

The weatherman has been against the park department crews this spring thus delaying construction and renovating work at the playgrounds. However Park and Recreation superintendent Vincent Hebert stated today that all work should be finished by Monday. The Little Bigger League will use the re-located main diamond at Deming Park and the big diamond at Clapp Park for its home sites. When Clapp isn't available games will be shifted to the common. Games will be played nightly Tuesday through Friday and Saturday afternoons. Rained out contests will be re-scheduled for the open Monday nights.

As for the Little Leagues—the park department has made possible special fields for the three leagues. The East League will open at the new diamond located in deep centerfield of the vast Deming Park layout. And the West Little League is to play its games at the new set-up made in the far south end of Clapp Park. The North Little League is to function in its own park located to the south of Wahconah Park. This and all other fields are enclosed with chain-link fences.

GE Drafters Win 11-10 Over England Bros.

6-4-53

The GE Drafters earned a close 11-10 victory over England Brothers in a game in the American division of the Park Department Softball League at Deming Field last night.

England Brothers scored two runs in the top of the seventh to tie the score, 10-10, but the Drafters came through with the deciding tally in their half of the last inning. Bob Dunton had a perfect night at the plate, hitting safely in five trips to the plate. Tony Sacchetti with four for five, including a homer, starred at bat for the losers. Chuck Jones of the Drafters' and George Romasco of England's also homered.

Stanley's Grill and Eaton Paper will meet on diamond No. 2, and E. D. Jones and the Richman Club will play on diamond No. 3 in games scheduled at 6.30 tonight.

Grill Men Win 11-4 in Park League

6-9-53

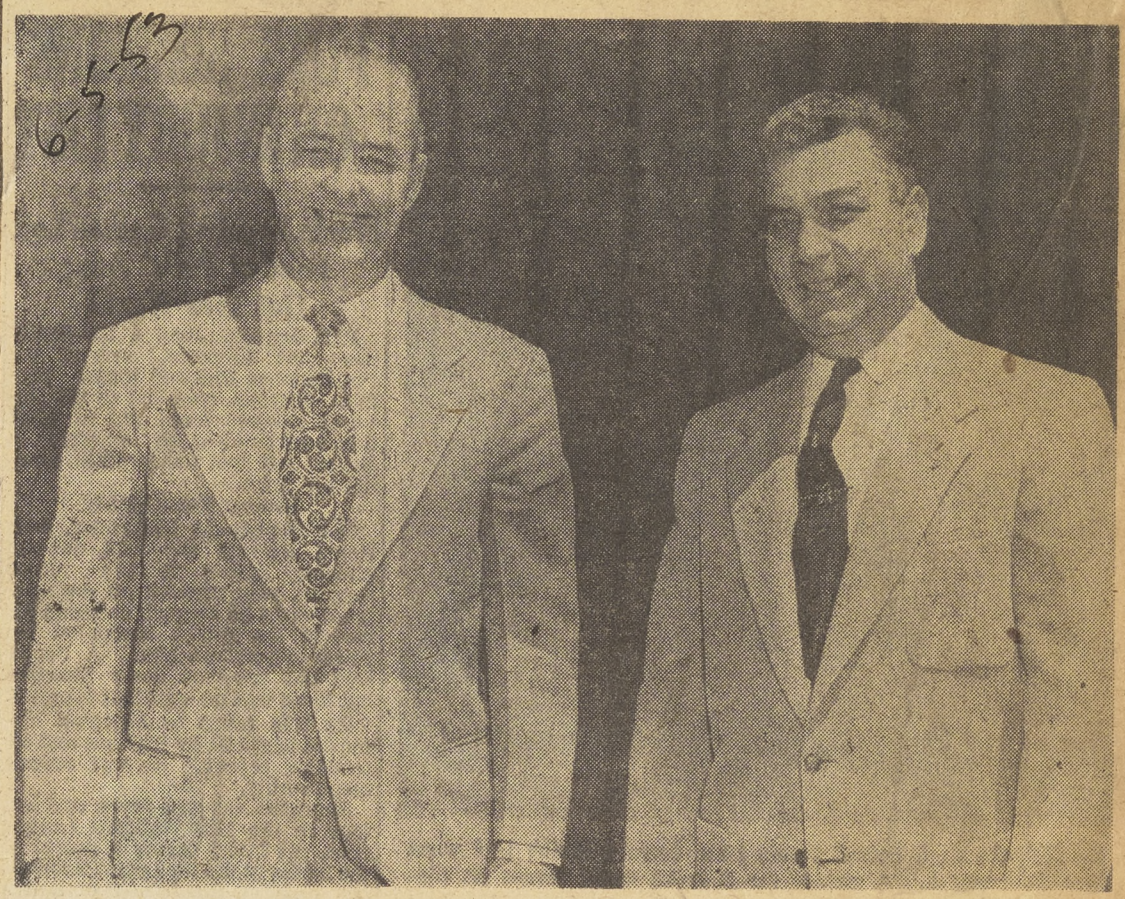
Stanley's Grill topped England Brothers 11-4, and E. D. Jones forfeited to the Richman Club in the Park Department Softball League last night.

Stanley's scored in every inning. Art Gwinnell and Bobby Bolster had three hits apiece and John Winters belted a homer. Dick Watson allowed England Brothers only five hits.

England Brothers and Honiker's Service Station will play on diamond No. 2, and E. D. Jones will meet Brady's Market on diamond No. 3 in games scheduled at 6.30 tonight at Deming Field.

Boost Baseball for Pittsfield Kids

6-5-53



Above are two men who are lending every effort to foster kid baseball at Pittsfield. Left to right, Vincent Hebert, director of parks and recreation, and Francis Nichols, president of the North Little League.

Sable's, Rams Score Wins

6-10-53

VFW, Team No. 1, Are the Losers In L.B. League

The Rams defeated the VFW, 16-3, and Bill Sables downed Team No. 1, 10-4, in two Little Bigger League contests here last night.

The Rams, exploding for 13 hits including triples by Monteleone and Gamberoni, scored seven runs in the first, one in the second, three in the third and five in the fourth. The VFW, held to only four safeties, scored its three runs in the second.

Sable's, paced by Don Perry who hit safely three times, settled the outcome with a seven-run rally in the third. Chris Gilson belted a homer.

The scores:

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Monteleone, 2b	3	3	2	3	2	0
Pivero, 2b	1	0	1	0	1	0
Gamberoni, cf	4	3	4	0	0	0
Cornelius, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Scholtz, lf	4	2	1	1	0	0
Manship, c	5	2	1	6	0	0
Heye, c	0	0	0	1	1	0
Seeley, 3b	3	2	2	2	3	0
Rodhouse, rf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Pullaro, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lee, 1b	2	1	0	3	0	0
Connolly, 1b, p	0	0	0	1	0	0
Radke, ss	3	1	0	1	0	0
Clark, p	3	1	1	0	0	0
	31	16	13	18	7	0

VFW

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pulaski, ss, p	3	0	0	1	1	1
Denno, c, cf	3	0	1	6	0	0
Dan Clancy, rf	3	0	1	0	1	0
Al Clayson, cf, c	3	0	1	1	1	0
Bresnahan, 1b	4	0	0	4	0	0
Cliff Heidel, lf	1	1	1	1	0	0
Rote, 3b	1	1	0	1	3	1
Mancivalano, 2b	2	0	0	2	1	0
McGill, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Walsh, p	2	1	0	2	0	1
Burzmati, ss	0	0	0	0	0	0
	22	3	4	18	7	3

Rams	713	500—16
VFW	030	000— 3

Two-base hits, Clayson, Clancy. Three-base hits, Monteleone, Gamberoni. Stolen bases, Scholtz, Seeley, Clancy. Base on balls, off McGill 4, Struck out, by Walsh 4, Pulaski 2, Clarke 5. Hits, off McGill, 2 in 0 innings; Walsh, 9 in 4; Pulaski, 2 in 2; Connolly, 1 in 1. Winning pitcher, Clark. Losing pitcher, McGill. Umpires, Knox and Gans. Time, 1h, 45m.

BILL SABLE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, 2b	2	2	1	2	2	0
McDonald, 2b	0	0	0	0	1	0
Perry, 1b	4	2	3	2	0	0
Stanton, 1b	0	0	0	1	0	0
Gilson, p	3	2	1	0	3	0
Lee, cf	3	1	2	0	0	0
Condron, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gallagher, lf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Phillips, lf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Heidel, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Overbaugh, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Starkey, ss	3	1	1	2	0	0
Dellert, 3b	2	1	1	1	0	0
Tuggey, 3b	0	0	0	1	0	0
Gilbert, c	3	0	0	6	0	1
	25	10	10	15	6	1

TEAM 1

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Jim McKeever, 2b	3	0	1	0	0	0
Pierson, ss	3	0	0	0	2	0
Castanzo, p	3	0	0	1	4	0
Portieri, 3b	2	1	0	1	1	2
Budney, 1b	1	1	0	8	0	1
McLaughlin, 1b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Roach, c	0	1	0	1	1	0
Joe Mole, lf	2	1	1	3	0	0
Woodin, cf, 1b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Butler, rf	0	0	0	1	0	1
McCologan, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
	16	4	2	15	8	4

Bill Sable	207	10—10
Team 1	020	11— 4

Two-base hits, Bruce Dellert. Home run, Chris Gilson. Stolen bases, Portieri, Roach, Mole, McCartney 2, Gilson, Lee, Heidel, Starkey. Sacrifice, Heidel. Base on balls, off Gilson 7, Costanzo 7. Struck out, by Gilson 4, Costanzo 1. Hit by pitcher, by Gilson 1. Winning pitcher, Gilson. Losing pitcher, Constanzo. Umpires, Thompson and Holden. Time, 1h, 45m.

Brady's Thumps E. D. Jones in 23-7 Contest

6-10-53

Brady's Market, in the highest scoring game this season, pounded E. D. Jones, 23-7, in a Park Department Softball League contest last night at Deming Field. Brady's connected for 18 hits, including home runs by Gene Pomerleau, Norm Quillard and Doc Fisher. The winners scored eight runs in the second, and seven in the fourth. Joe Skowron, with a homer and a pair of singles, was the leading E. D. Jones batsman.

A game between England Brothers and Honiker's Service Station was postponed. Eaton Paper and the GE Drafters will play on diamond No. 2, and the Richman Club and Eagles will meet on diamond No. 3, in the two games scheduled at 6.30 tonight.

Besse-Clarke and Team One Win in Little Bigger Play

6-11-53

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDING

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Team One	1	0	1.000
St. Mary's	1	1	.500
Optimists	0	1	.000
Veterans of Foreign Wars	0	2	.000

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Rams	2	0	1.000
Bill Sable's	1	0	1.000
Besse-Clarke	1	1	.500
Team One	0	1	.000

Team One shaded the Optimists 3-2 in an extra-inning game featuring Little Bigger Baseball League play last night at Deming Field. Harry Reinhold's single drove in Bob Quadrozzi with the winning run in the eighth.

In the other league contest, Besse-Clarke downed St. Mary's 5-2 at Clapp Park. Paul Brindle led the winners' attack with a home run and a single.

Wayne Goodrich pitched effectively for Team One. He yielded only four hits, and struck out 12. Chuck Gans, Reinhold and Greattrex had two hits apiece for the winners. Ralph Lake was the only loser with two.

Paul Venti, an ex-Little League catcher, limited St. Mary's to three hits. One was a homer by Bobby Bennett, who also had a single.

The scores:

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Douglas, 2b	1	1	0	1	1	0
Killackey, 2b	1	0	0	2	0	0
Carroll, ss	2	0	0	1	2	0
Cohen, lf	3	1	0	0	0	0
Genzabella, cf	1	1	0	3	0	0
Brindle, c	4	2	2	6	0	0
Walsh, 1b	2	0	1	4	0	0
Seigel, 3b	3	0	0	1	4	0
Mendel, 3b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Schmaizel, rf	2	0	1	1	0	0
Venti, p	3	0	0	2	0	0
	23	5	4	21	6	0

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Greenleaf, lf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Viner, 1b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Pellerin, ss	2	1	0	0	1	0
Bennett, p, 3b	3	1	2	1	1	1
Noguippa, cf, 3b	2	0	0	2	0	0
LeClair, rf, cf	2	0	1	1	0	0
Gregory, 2b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Mitchell, c	2	0	0	7	0	1
Pires, 3b	1	0	0	1	1	0
Mazzeo, rf, lf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Basiliere, 1b, p	2	0	0	4	1	1
	23	2	3	18	4	3

Besse-Clarke	300	020	—5
St. Mary's	200	000	0—2

Two-base hit, Schmaizel. Three-base hit, Brindle. Home run, Bennett. Stolen bases, Genzebella, Walsh, Noguiera 2, LeClair. Double play, Seigel, Douglas to Walsh. Left on bases, St. Mary's 4, Besse-Clarke 9. Base on balls, off Bennett 6, Basiliere 2, Venti 6. Struck out, Venti 6, Bennett 5. Hit by pitcher, by Basiliere (Carroll). Losing pitcher, Bennett. Umpires, Holden and Crimmins. Time, 2h.

TEAM 1

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Gans, 2b	3	1	2	1	1	0
Greattrax, cf	4	0	2	1	0	0
Bruno, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Ouelette, ss	2	0	0	0	3	1
Burke, ss	1	0	0	0	0	0
a-Graham	1	0	0	0	0	0
Quadrozzi, 3b	4	1	1	2	2	0
Reinhold, 1b	3	1	2	6	0	0
Goodrich, p	4	0	1	0	0	1
Shea, c	3	0	1	12	0	1
Conzano, lf	2	0	0	2	0	0
b-Kelly	0	0	0	0	0	0
c-Hyland	0	0	0	0	0	0
	30	3	9	24	6	3

OPTIMISTS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Spadafora, lf	4	1	0	2	0	1
Brown, 2b	4	0	0	2	0	1
Lako, ss	5	1	2	0	1	0
Navin, 1b	4	0	1	3	0	0
Dwyer, cf	3	0	0	2	0	0
Robarge, c	2	0	0	7	1	0
Librizzi, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Hoctor, rf	2	0	1	0	0	0
DeGallo, 3b	2	0	0	2	2	1
Pansecchi, p	3	0	0	4	1	0
	31	2	4	22	5	3

Team One	110	000	01—3
Optimists	001	001	00—2

a—Batted for Burke in 8th.
b—Batted for Conzano in 7th.
c—Ran for Kelly in 7th.

Two-base hit, Gans. Three-base hits, Shea, Navin. Sacrifice, Gans. Left on bases Team One 8, Optimists 15. Base on balls, off Pansecchi 2, Goodrich 8. Struck out, by Pansecchi 8, Goodrich 12. Hit by pitcher, by Goodrich 2 (Dwyer, Robarge). Umpires, Troy and Gans. Time, 2h, 10m.

Eaton's, Richman Softball Leagues Win in Park

6-11-53

Two games were played in the Parks and Recreation Department softball league on Deming Field last night.

In the American League, Eaton Paper defeated the GE Drafters 11-2. Bill Petell gave up four hits while getting two himself to lead Eaton's in victory. John Wechter and Bob Tart with three and two hits, respectively, also starred offensively for Eaton's.

Richman's Club came from behind twice to beat the Eagles Club, 17-14 in the National League. Fran Delphia and Ray Griffin paced the winners at bat. Ed Cooke and Sam Pasquale hit hard for the losers.

Two games will be played tomorrow night at 6.30. Stanley's Grill will oppose Ricchi's Sunoco and Postal AC will play Richman's Club.

Ricchi's Team Tops Stanley's In Park League

6-12-53

Defending champion Ricchi's Sunoco topped Stanley's Grill, 8-2, and the Postal AC edged the Richman Club, 11-10, in two Park Department Softball League games at Deming Field last night.

Ricchi's jumped off to a six-run lead in the opening inning. Ted Martin, helped along his way by some fine fielding, held the grill men to two hits. Fred Shogry was the star at the plate with three safeties. Stanley's Dick Winsten allowed seven hits.

Ed Fitzgerald belted a home run in the last inning with two aboard to give Postal AC its final advantage. Richman Club had taken the lead with a four-run splurge in the sixth. Pete Donegan and Fran Delphia homered for the losers.

The Richman Club and Brady's Market will meet on diamond No. 3 at 6.30 tonight in the only game scheduled.

Two Teams Win In Park Loop

6-16-53

England Brothers topped Honiker's Service Station, 12-5, and the Postal AC defeated E. D. Jones, 14-10, in two Park Department Softball League games at Deming Field last night.

It was the first victory for England Brothers of the American division. Joe DiCroce with a homer and a single, and Tony Sacchetti with a homer and a pair of singles led the hitting attack for the winners. Jimmy Shepard made several outstanding plays at third to keep Honiker's from threatening. Terry MacCartney starred in the field for the losers.

Postal AC scored nine runs in a wild-scoring sixth inning to break the game wide open. E. D. Jones rallied for six runs in the last inning and had the bases loaded when the last out was made. Ed Bercury knocked two hits for the winners, and Snuffy Potter and Joe Skowron each had a pair for the losers.

Honiker's and Eaton Paper will play on diamond No. 2, and the Postal AC will meet Brady's Market on diamond No. 3 at 6.30 tonight.

St. Mary's Wins 6-2 Over Optimists

6/17/53

V.F.W. Defeats Team No. 1 In L.B. Loop Play

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	2	0	1.000
Rams	2	0	1.000
Team No. 2	1	1	.500
Besse-Clarke	1	2	.333

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Mary's	2	1	.666
VFW 449	2	2	.500
Team No. 1	1	2	.333
Optimists Club	0	3	.000

St. Mary's, leader in the National Division with a 2-1 record, defeated the last-place Optimists Club, 6-2, and the V.F.W. in the American Division topped Team No. 1, 10-3, in two Little Bigger League contests last night.

St. Mary's and the Optimists, playing at Clapp Park, were tied 2-2 after the opening inning, but the winners scored a run in the third and clinched the decision with three more in the fourth.

Joe Basiliere of St. Mary's allowed only one hit, a single by Ralph Lake in the first. He struck out 10 men and walked four. St. Mary's collected six safeties off two Optimists pitchers, Brown and Pansecchi.

Eight-hit Attack

The V.F.W. launched an eight-hit attack against Team No. 1 in the game at Deming Field and scored twice in the first, four times in the second and two runs in the fifth and sixth. Team No. 1, limited to only three hits by John Bresnahan, scored once in the first, second and fifth.

V.F.W. catcher Tom Denno socked the only extra-base knock in the game, a hard-hit double to deep left field. Bresnahan fanned three men while walking 10.

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	3	1	0	1	1	0
Gregory, 2b	3	1	0	1	0	0
Mazzeo, 1b	3	1	2	9	0	0
Bennett, 3b	3	1	1	2	0	0
Mitchell, c	3	0	3	7	4	1
Pires, cf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Greenleaf, lf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Hebler, rf	0	1	0	0	0	0
Basiliere, p	2	0	0	1	3	1
	23	6	8	21	8	2

OPTIMISTS CLUB

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Vollinger, lf	1	1	0	2	0	0
Keegan, lf	1	0	0	1	0	0
Navin, 1b	1	1	0	5	0	0
Robarge, c	2	0	0	2	2	0
Dwyer, cf	3	0	0	3	0	0
Brown, 2b, p	1	0	0	1	2	0
Len DeGallo, 3b	2	0	0	3	2	1
Ralph Lake, ss	3	0	1	0	0	1
Hoctor, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Pansecchi, p	2	0	0	0	1	0
Kahn, 2b	1	0	0	1	0	0
	20	2	1	18	7	2

Optimists	200	000	0—2
St. Mary's	201	300	x—6

Three base hit, Bob Mazzeo. Stolen bases, Navin 2, Keegan, Lake, Gregory, Mitchell, 2. Sacrifices, DeGallo, Pellerin. Triple play, DeGallo to Navin. Left on bases, Optimists 5, St. Mary's 5. Bases on balls, off: Pansecchi 3, Brown 2, Basiliere 4. Struck out, by Basiliere 10, Pansecchi 1. Hits off, Pansecchi 6 in 5 innings; off Brown 2 in 2 innings. Hit by pitcher, by Basiliere, Vollinger, Navin, Brown. Wild pitches, Basiliere, 2. Umpires, Knox and Holden. Time, 1h, 45m.

VFW 449

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pulaski, 1b	3	1	0	8	0	0
Heidel, lf	3	1	0	1	0	0
Denno, c	4	2	2	4	0	1
Clayson, cf	1	2	0	1	0	0
Walsh, 3b	4	1	3	2	1	1
Rote, ss	3	0	0	2	3	0
Clancy, rf	3	1	1	1	0	0
Burzamati, 2b	3	1	0	2	3	2
Bresnahan, p	3	1	2	0	4	1
	27	10	8	21	11	5

TEAM NO. 1

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Ouellett, ss	1	1	0	1	2	2
Gans, 2b	3	0	1	1	2	0
Goodrich, p, cf	3	0	0	0	5	0
Shor, c, lf	3	1	1	6	0	1
Quadrozzi, 3b	2	0	0	0	1	0
Reinhold, 1b	4	0	1	6	0	0
Bruno, rf, c	3	0	0	3	0	1
Powers, rf	2	1	0	0	0	0
Kelly	0	0	0	0	0	0
Graham, cf	0	0	0	1	0	0
Hyland, p	3	0	0	0	5	0
	24	3	3	18	15	4

Team No. 1	110	001	00— 3
VFW	240	022	x—10

Two base hit, Tom Denno. Three base hits, Jim Walsh 2, John Bresnahan. Home runs, Tom Denno. Stolen bases, Pulaski, Clayson, Shea 2, Reinhold. Sacrifice, Gans. Double plays, Pulaski to Burzamati, Rote to Pulaski. Left on bases, VFW 5, Team No. 1—11. Base on balls, off Breshahan 10, Goodrich 2, Hyland 2. Struck out, by Bresnahan 3, Goodrich 4, Hyland 3. Hits off, Goodrich 4 in 2 innings, off Hyland 4 innings. Hit by pitcher, by Goodrich, Heidle, Bresnahan, Quadrozzi. Losing pitcher Wayne Goodrich. Umpires, Thompson and Gans. Time, 1h, 40m.

Sable's Tops Crescent in East League

6/17/53

Yellow Cab, Shandoff's Also Triumph

Bill Sable's, exploding for nine hits, topped Crescent Creamery, 6-1, in an East Little League game at Deming Field last night. Sable's scored twice in the first, twice in the third and twice more in the sixth as Gary Scarafoni and Lou Pia led the attack with doubles. Crescent Creamery collected eight safeties, but could score only once in the first.

In a West League tilt at Clapp Park, Yellow Cab defeated the Eagles, 5-3, on 10 hits. Leading the attack were Jim Keenan with doubles in the first and third, and Cam Jacobs with two baggers in the first and fourth. The winners scored twice in the first, twice in the third and once in the fifth.

In the North League at Wahconah Park, Shandoff's beat C. & C. Motors, 8-7. The winners led off with a six-run splurge in the first inning and followed it up with two more in the fifth. The losers scored four in the third and three in the fifth. Walt Suleski and John Shulan doubled for Shandoff's and Kirk Leslie banged a three-run homer.

Games Tonight

The following games will be played tonight: Shamrock's and Yellow Cab will meet in the West League; Brady's and Pittsfield Co-op will play in the North League; and Ed Johnson's and the Elks will play in the East League.

West League officials also announced that two postponed games will be made up when Yellow Cab and Clem Farrell's meet Friday night at 6.30 at Clapp, and the Eagles' and Farrell's clash Monday night at the same hour.

The line scores:

		R.	H.	E.
Bill Sables	202	002—6	9	1
Crescent Creamery	100	000—1	8	2

Quadrozzi and Scarafoni; Budney, Barry and Kernahan.

		R.	H.	E.
Yellow Cab	202	010—5	10	1
Eagles	200	001—3	7	0

Keenan and DeBroat; Mole and Eoldato.

		R.	H.	E.
Shandoff's	600	020—8	9	2
C. & C. Motors	004	030—7	9	2

McWhinnie and Shulan; Schmoyer and Blair.

Grill Men Top Honiker's In 20-2 Game

6/18/53

Stanley's Grill, racking up the highest score of the season, topped Honiker's Service Station, 20-2, and the Eagles defeated E. D. Jones, 13-3, in two Park Department Softball League contests at Deming Field last night.

Stan Kruczkowski hurled a four-hitter for Stanley's while John Winters and Les Allen led the offensive attack with four hits each. Bobby Bolster connected for three. Bill Mangrum was responsible for two of the four Honiker's safeties.

Bobby Enright pitched steady ball for the Eagles. Mario Tassinari led the winning attack at the plate while Dick Murphy and Paul Magnano sparkeld for the losers.

Ricchi's Sunoco and the GE Drafters will play on diamond No. 2, and the Richman Club and Postal AC will meet on diamond No. 3 in the two games scheduled at 6.30 tonight at Deming Field.

Eaton Paper Tops Honiker's In Park League

6/17/53

Eaton Paper topped Honiker's Service Station 5 to 4 and Brady's Market swamped Postal A.C. 14 to 0 in last night's Parks and Recreation Department softball league.

Bill Petell tossed a five hitter for Eaton's. Bob Tart smashed a homer and double and John Wechter collected three hits to lead the winners.

Bill Jacoby gave up only two hits as he handed the Postal A.C. their first loss of the season. Doc Fisher hit a grand slam homer and single to lead the winners at bat.

Stanley's Grill will meet Honiker's tonight on diamond No. 2 at the Common and E. D. Jones will meet the Eagles' Club.

Rams Thump Jets, 13-0 In L.B. Loop

6-18-53

Bill Sable's, Besse-Clarke Battle to Tie

The Rams, exploding for 13 hits, thumped the Jets, 13-0, and Besse-Clarke and Bill Sable's battled to a 4-4 deadlock in two Little Bigger Baseball League contests last night.

The Rams, behind the effective two-hit hurling of Eddie Connolly, scored three runs in the first, three more in the third and finally went way out front with a seven-run splurge in the seventh.

Joe Brazeau gave up 13 safeties in one of the most lop-sided league tilts this season.

In the Besse-Clarke-Bill Sable's battle, the score was tied at the end of seven innings of play when the game was called because of darkness. Chris Gilson yielded Besse-Clarke three hits, while Cohen gave up eight safeties to Sable's.

Besse-Clarke scored two in the third and two in the fifth, while Sable's came through with one run in the third, one in the sixth and two in the seventh. Bruce Gilbert and Don MacDonald of Sable's both belted doubles—the only extra-base hits in the game.

The scores:

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pivero, 2b	2	1	0	1	2	0
Monteleone, 2b	2	1	1	2	0	0
Lee, 1b	4	0	0	11	0	0
Gamberoni, cf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Pullaro, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manship, c	4	3	2	4	4	2
Seeley, 3b	4	0	1	1	0	0
Scholz, lf	5	2	3	1	0	0
Reilly, lf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rodhouse, rf	2	1	1	0	0	0
Clark, rf, 1b	2	2	2	0	0	0
Heye, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Radke, ss	4	1	0	0	5	1
Connolly, p	4	1	2	1	0	0
	36	13	13	21	11	3

JETS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McColgan, 3b, 2b	3	0	0	0	1	0
Constanzo, lf	3	0	1	1	0	0
Pierson, ss	3	0	1	2	1	0
Woodin, 1b, 3b	1	0	0	5	1	2
Mole, cf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Roach, c	3	0	0	10	1	1
Butler, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Brazeau, p	3	0	0	0	3	0
McLaughlin, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	1
Budney, 1b	2	0	0	3	0	0
	23	0	2	21	7	4

Rams	303	000	7—13

Stolen bases, Woodin, Gamberoni, Manship 2, Scholz 2, Radke. Left on bases, Rams 10, Jets 8. Base on balls, off Brazeau 8, Connolly 5. Struck out, by Brazeau 10, Connolly 6. Wild pitches, Brazeau 3. Winning pitcher, Eddie Connolly. Losing pitcher, Joe Brazeau. Umpires, Holden and Turner. Time, 1h, 50m.

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Douglas, 2b	3	1	0	0	0	0
Schmaizel, lf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Cohen, p	2	0	0	0	1	1
Brindle, c	4	0	1	15	1	1
Venti, cf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Walsh, 1b	3	0	0	4	1	0
Carroll, ss	3	1	0	1	0	0
Seigel, 3b	2	2	1	0	0	0
Mendel, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kazaka, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
	26	4	3	21	3	2

BILL SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, 2b	3	0	2	0	1	1
Phillips, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gallagher, rf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Gilson, p	3	0	0	0	0	0
Lee, cf	1	0	1	0	0	0
Heidel, lf	1	0	0	1	0	0
Tuggey, lf	2	0	1	0	0	0
Perry, 1b	3	0	0	7	1	0
Stanton, 1b	0	0	0	1	0	0
Gilbert, c	4	1	1	11	6	0
Starkey, ss	1	0	1	1	0	1
McDonald, ss	1	1	1	0	0	0
Dellert, 3b	2	1	0	1	1	0

Besse-Clarke	002	020	0—4
Bill Sable's	001	001	2—4

Two-base hits, Bruce Gilbert, Don MacDonald. Stolen bases, McCartney, Lee 2, Heidel, Perry. Sacrifice, Dellert. Left on bases, Bill Sable 13, Besse-Clarke 7. Base on balls, off Gilson 3, Cohen 6. Struck out, by Gilson 15, Cohen 14. Hit by pitcher, by Gilson (Douglas, Seigel). Umpires, Gans and Thompson. Time, 2h, 15m.

Ricchi's Tops GE Drafters In Park Loop

6-19-53

Ricchi's Sunoco thumped the GE Drafters, 11-1, and the Postal AC topped the Richman Club, 10-7, in two Park Department Softball League games at Deming Field last night.

John Perry hurled a five-hitter for Ricchi's. Ed Poulin banged a homer and a single, and Art Martin collected three safeties to lead the winners' attack at the plate. Chuck Jones, with two hits, starred for the losers.

The Postal AC scored eight runs in the top of the seventh to put the game on ice. Ed Fitzgerald tripled and singled for the postmen, while Bob Herrick homered, and Woody Bailey and Art Phelps each hit three times for the losers.

Ricchi's and England Brothers will meet at 6.30 tonight on Deming's diamond No. 2 in the only game scheduled.

Ricchi's Gains 21-5 Triumph

6-20-53

PARK DEPARTMENT SOFTBALL LEAGUE STANDING

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Postal AC	5	1	.833
[illegible]	3	2	.600
Brady's Market	3	2	.600
[illegible]	2	3	.400
[illegible] D. Jones	0	5	.000

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Ricchi's Sunoco Station	5	0	1.000
Stanley's Grill	3	1	.750
[illegible] Paper	3	2	.600
GE Drafters	1	3	.250
England Brothers	1	4	.200
Honiker's Service Station	1	4	.200

Defending champion Ricchi's Sunoco defeated England Brothers, 21-5, in a Park Department Softball League game at Deming Field last night. Jim Packard was the winning pitcher.

Fred Shogry banged out five safeties in six trips to the plate and Johnny Angelo connected safely three times. Mario Zucchini starred for the losers with three for four.

The GE Drafters and Stanley's Grill will meet on diamond No. 2 at Deming at 6.30 Monday night in the only game scheduled.

Sable's Tops Rams, 16-6 In L.B. Play

6-20-53

Besse-Clarke Defeats Jets In Second Game

Besse-Clarke, paced by the six-hit pitching of Jim Beals, stopped the Jets, 6-3, while powerful Bill Sable's, exploding for 17 safeties, drubbed the Rams, 16-6, in two Little Bigger Baseball League contests last night.

Besse-Clarke scored twice in the second, once in the third, twice more in the fourth and once in the sixth. The Jets' thre tallies came in the second.

Beals, who went the route, struck out five batters and walked only one. Costanzo of the Jets fanned seven and walked four.

Sable's went scoreless for the first two innings, but exploded with a six-run surge in the third. They added to the total with single runs in the fourth and fifth, six more in the sixth and two in the seventh.

The Rams scored their six runs in the first and last. Don Perry fanned nine men and walked three. Scholz struck out one and walked three.

The scores:

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Killackey, 2b	2	0	1	0	1	1
Douglas, 2b	1	2	0	1	1	1
Schmaizel, lf	4	1	2	0	0	0
Cohen, ss	3	0	1	3	0	0
Genzabella, cf	4	1	2	2	0	0
Venti, c	4	1	1	6	1	0
Walsh, 1b	2	0	0	8	0	0
Seigel, 3b	2	0	1	0	0	0
Carroll, 3b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mendel, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brindle, rf	2	1	1	0	0	0
Beals, p	3	0	0	1	0	0
	28	6	9	21	3	2

JETS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McKeever, 2b	3	0	0	1	0	0
McColgan, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Horgan,	1	0	0	0	0	0
Costanzo, p	3	0	0	1	1	1
Pierson, ss	3	0	0	2	2	2
Woodin, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butler, c	2	0	0	7	0	1
Portieri, 3b	4	1	2	2	1	0
Mole, lf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Budney, 1b	3	1	2	5	1	0
Gable, c, cf	2	0	1	3	0	0
	27	3	6	21	5	4

Besse-Clarke	021	201	—6
Jets	030	000	0—3

Two-base hits, Killackey, Schmaizel, Genzabella, Centi, Portieri. Three-base hit, Schmaizel. Stolen bases, Genzabella 4, Venti, Mendel, McKeever, Butler, Portieri, Budney 2, Gable. Left on bases, Besse-Clarke 9, Jets 6. Base on balls, off Beals 1, Costanzo 4. Struck out, by Beals 5, Costanzo 7. Hit by pitcher, by Beals (McKeever). Umpires, Knox and Gans. Time, 1h, 35m.

BILL SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, 2b	5	1	3	2	2	1
Dellert, 3b	3	0	0	0	1	0
McDonald, 3b	1	1	1	0	0	0
Gilson, 1b	4	3	1	7	0	0
McLaughlin, 1b	0	0	0	1	0	0
Lee, cf	5	2	3	0	0	0
Perry, p	5	2	3	3	2	0
Starkey, ss	3	1	1	0	2	0
Phillips, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gallagher, rf	3	3	1	0	0	0
Tuggey, ss	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gilbert, c	4	2	1	7	2	0
Heidel, lf	4	1	3	1	0	0
	37	16	17	21	9	1

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Monteleone, lf	2	2	0	2	1	0
Heye, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tony Pivero, 2b	4	1	1	1	3	1
Gamberoni, cf	2	2	0	0	1	0
Manship, c	2	1	1	3	4	0
John Seeley, 3b	4	0	3	7	2	2
Dave Scholtz, p, ss	4	0	1	0	4	0
Pullaro, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rodhouse, rf	3	0	0	0	0	1
G. Lee, 1b	2	0	0	7	0	0
Radke, ss, p	3	0	0	1	3	3
	26	6	6	21	18	7

Bill Sable's	006	116	2—16
Rams	300	000	3— 6

Two-base hit, Dick Lee. Three-base hits, Dick Heidel, Tony Pivero. Stolen bases, Manship, McCartney, Dick Lee, Gilson. Sacrifice, Dellert. Left on bases, Rams 6, Bill Sable's 5. Base on balls, off Scholz 3, Perry 3. Struck out, by Don Perry 9, Scholz 1. Hits, off Scholz, 15 in 6 innings; Radke, 2 in 1. Hit by pitcher, by Perry (Gamberoni, Manship, Gerry Lee). Winning pitcher, Don Perry. Losing pitcher, Dave Scholz. Umpires, Turner and Thompson. Time, 1h, 50m.

VFW Team Wins 11-8 in L. B. League

Rams, St. Mary's Tie 4-4 in Other Contest

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Mary's	1	1	.500
Team No. 1	1	1	.500
VFW	1	2	.333
Optimists' Club	0	2	.000

NATIONAL

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Rams	2	0	1.000
Bill Sable's	2	0	1.000
Team No. 2	1	1	.500
Besse-Clarke	1	2	.333

LAST NIGHT'S RESULTS

Rams 4, St. Mary's 4.
VFW 11, Besse-Clarke 8.

The Rams and St. Mary's battled to a hard-fought 4-4 tie in the National division, and the VFW trimmed Besse-Clarke, 11-8, in the American division, in two Little Bigger League contests last night.

The Rams, sparked by Gerry Lee's three-run homer in the second, scored again in the fourth. St. Mary's also tallied three times in the second, but had to wait until the sixth before the last run came in.

Pitcher Bob Mazzeo of St. Mary's allowed the opposition only five hits while his teammates collected eight off Dave Scholz. Masseo aided his team's hitting total with a long triple to deep left field.

The VFW, paced by Allan Clayson's two-run homer in the seventh, collected eight hits off two Besse-Clarke pitchers to score twice in the first, four times in the fifth and three in the sixth. Besse-Clarke, on eight safeties, scored five runs in the first, and one each in the fourth, fifth and seventh. Paul Brindle of Besse's tripled in the first with the bases loaded.

The scores:

VFW

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pulaski, 1b	5	2	3	10	0	0
Denno, 3b	4	1	2	2	1	1
Rote, ss	4	1	0	1	0	1
Clayson, cf	5	1	2	2	0	0
Walsh, c	2	1	1	2	0	0
Heidel, lf	4	1	0	2	0	0
Clancy, rf	4	2	1	1	1	0
Burzimati, 2b	4	2	1	1	1	1
Bresnahan, p	4	0	2	0	5	0
	36	11	12	21	8	3

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Douglas, 2b	3	1	1	2	0	1
a-Kazaka	0	1	0	0	0	0
Killackey, ss	3	1	1	2	1	3
Schmaizel, lf	0	1	0	0	0	0
Cohen, lf	2	0	0	2	2	0
Venti, cf	4	2	2	1	0	0
Brindle, c	4	1	1	6	0	1
Carroll, 3b	3	0	1	0	5	2
Tom Walsh, 1b	4	0	2	8	0	0
Beals, p	0	0	0	0	0	1
Genzebella, p	2	1	0	0	0	0
Griffin, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seigel, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
	28	8	8	21	8	8

VFW	200	043	2—11
Besse-Clarke	500	110	1— 8

a—Pinch hit in 7th.

Three-base hits, Paul Brindle. Jim Walsh. Home runs, Allan, Clayson. Stolen bases, Pulaski, Venti. Sacrifices, Schmaizel, Seigel. Left on bases VFW 8, Besse-Clarke 8. Base on balls, off Beals 3, Bresnahan 9, Genzebella 5. Struck out, by Bresnahan 1, Genzebella 2. Hits, off Beals, 2 in 2 innings; Genzebella, 10 in 5. Hit by pitcher, by Bresnahan (Brindle); Genzebella (Clancy). Winning pitcher, Bresnahan. Losing pitcher, Genzebella. Umpires, Holden and Thompson. Time, 2h, 5m.

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Monteleone, 2b	4	1	1	2	1	1
Clark, lf	2	0	0	0	1	0
Gamberoni, cf	3	0	1	1	0	0
Manship, c	3	1	1	10	1	0
Seeley, 3b	2	1	1	2	2	0
Rodhouse, rf	3	0	0	1	1	0
Lee, 1b	3	1	1	5	0	1
a-Radke	2	0	0	0	0	2
b-Connolly	0	0	0	0	0	0
Scholz, p	3	0	0	0	2	0
	25	4	5	21	8	4

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	3	0	0	1	2	0
Gregory, 2b	4	0	1	2	1	0
Bennett, 3b	3	0	2	0	1	0
Pirps, 3b	1	0	0	1	0	0
Noguipra, cf	3	1	1	0	0	0
LeClair, rf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Mitchell, c	3	0	1	8	1	0
Basiliere, 1b, lf	3	1	1	7	0	0
Mazzeo, p	2	1	1	0	1	0
c-Greenleaf, lf	1	0	0	2	0	0
d-Viner, 1b	1	0	0	0	0	1
	27	4	8	21	6	1

St. Mary's	030	001	0—4
Rams	031	000	0—4

Three-base hits, Bob Mazzeo. Home run, Garry Lee. Stolen bases, Manship, Seeley, Noguipra 2. Sacrifices, Pellerin, LeClair, Scholz, Noguipra. Left on bases, St. Mary's 7, Rams 3. Base on balls, off Scholz 2, Mazzeo 1. Struck out, by Mazzeo 8, Scholz 10. Hit by pitcher, by Mazzeo (Seeley). Umpires, Knox and Gans. Time, 2h, 15m.

Candidates at Wahconah Park

Milwaukee Braves' School Opens With 18

Morning, Afternoon Drills Are Scheduled for Today

Pitchers Appear To Have Big Edge On Batters—Boyd, Leja, Shea, Higgins And Lynch Reveal Educational Plans

By ROGER O'GARA

Many of the outstanding interscholastic players in Berkshire County and the Connecticut Valley participated in the opening session of the Milwaukee Braves' two-day baseball school at Wahconah Park yesterday. Eighteen boys were registered. Morning and afternoon workouts at the same place today will conclude the program.

Bob Boyd Sr., Substitutes

The pitchers appeared to be far ahead of the batters in an informal game, which was supervised by Jeff Jones, the Braves' chief New England scout. Jones was assisted by Billy Wise, Springfield Cathedral High coach, and Bob Boyd Sr., former Dalton High coach. Boyd was substituting for Paul Eckley, Amherst College varsity mentor, who was ill.

Impressing on the mound were right-handers Larry Higgins of Andover and Walter Miller of Pittsfield and left-hander Jim Krumsiek of Springfield. Higgins, 18, was outstanding the past spring for Cranwell School, and will enter Holy Cross in the fall. Miller, 19, is awaiting a call to the service. He hopes to play throughout the summer with Dan Healy's Bennington (Vt.) Majestics. Krumsiek, 17, a star at Cathedral High, has another year of school. He showed exceptional control for a southpaw.

Among the better known young men present were Bob Boyd Jr., 19, of Dalton, Frank Leja, 17, of Holyoke, and Dick DiOrio, 18, of Pittsfield. Boyd recently was graduated from Vermont Academy. He plans to enter the University of New Hampshire or the University of Connecticut in the fall. Leja thus far has resisted pressure to turn professional. He will take a year at Wilbraham Academy. He stands six feet, four inches, and weighs 213 pounds. Boyd is just under six feet, and goes 195 pounds. Both he and Leja are long-ball left-handed batters. DiOrio, who played shortstop for Pittsfield High for two seasons, was used at second base yesterday. The shortstop on his combination was Billy Shea, 17, a Pittsfield boy who recently was graduated from Cranwell. Shea will go to Georgetown University in the fall. Third baseman William Lynch, 17, of Indian Orchard, was another Cranwell boy present. He will be at Holy Cross in September.

Large Searles Group

Five Searles High players reported. They were Bob Atwood, 17, catcher, Gene Beliveau, 17, shortstop, Bill LaFontana, 16, third baseman, Pasquale Aquino, 17, catcher, and James (Gus) McLellan, 19, an outfielder.

Gregory Indjian, a stocky 19-year-old outfielder, completed the Pittsfield delegation. He is a Cranwell student. Also competing were outfielder Edward Knapp, 17, of Ware, shortstop Henry Stickney, 18, of Baldwinsville, and shortstop Dick Griffin, 17, and catcher Bob Leach, 17, both of New Lebanon, N.Y.

INSTRUCTION: Jeff Jones, second from left, chief New England scout for the Milwaukee Braves, outlines plans for the baseball school at Wahconah Park. Listening, in usual order, are Billy Wise, coach of Springfield Cathedral High; Bob Boyd Jr., recent Vermont Academy graduate; and Bob Boyd Sr., former Dalton High coach, who was an assistant instructor at yesterday afternoon's session.

RECENT RIVALS: Dick DiOrio, Pittsfield High shortstop, left, and Frank Leja, Holyoke High first baseman, discuss the Western Massachusetts interscholastic championship game between their teams. They were teammates yesterday at the Milwaukee Braves' school.

St. Mary's Tops Rams In L.B. Play

6-24-53

Besse-Clarke Edges Falcons In Other Game

St. Mary's launched a six-hit attack to defeat the Rams, 6-3, at Deming Field, and Besse-Clarke edged the Polish Falcons, 3-2, at the Common, in two Little Bigger Baseball League games last night.

Noguiera and Basilliere shared pitching duties for St. Mary's as they fanned six men and walked four. Ed Connolly went the distance for the Rams as he struck out three and walked five. The losers were limited to a pair of hits.

St. Mary's scored three runs in the fourth and three in the sixth. The Rams scored three in the second.

Besse-Clarke banged eight hits off the Falcons to score twice in the fifth and once in the sixth. The losers' two runs came in the third and fourth. Manny Schmaizel drove in the winning run in the sixth.

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Greenleaf, lf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Pellerin, ss	4	0	0	2	2	0
Bennett, 3b	3	0	1	1	2	0
Noguiera, p, cf	3	1	0	0	1	0
Basiliere, cf, p	3	1	1	0	1	0
Mitchell, c	3	2	1	5	0	1
Gregory, 2b	2	1	2	1	0	0
Pires, rf	2	0	0	0	1	0
LeClair, rf	0	1	0	0	0	0
Lennon, 1b	3	0	1	11	0	1
	26	6	6	21	7	2

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Monteleone, 2b	2	0	0	3	2	0
Clark, rf	4	0	0	1	1	0
Gamberoni, cf	3	0	1	1	0	0
Manship, c	2	1	0	6	1	1
Seeley, 3b	3	0	0	3	0	1
Scholz, lf	3	1	1	1	0	0
Lee, 1b	3	1	0	3	0	0
Radke, ss	1	0	0	3	1	1
a-Pivero	1	0	0	0	0	0
Connolly, p	1	0	0	0	3	0
b-Rodhouse	1	0	0	0	0	0
	24	3	2	21	8	3

St. Mary's	000	303	0—6
Rams	030	000	0—3

a—Struck out for Radke in 7th.
b—Struck out for Connolly in 7th.

Runs batted in, Lennon 2, Pires, Gregory, Scholz. Three-base hit, Mitchell. Stolen bases, Greenleaf, Pellerin, Noguiera, Lennon, Manship 2. Double play, Seeley to Monteleone. Left on bases, St. Mary's 5, Rams 4. Base on balls, off Noguiera 3, Basiliere 1, Connolly 5. Struck out, by Noguiera 1, Basiliere 6, Connolly 3. Hits, off Noguiera, 1 in 1 2-3 innings; Basiliere, 1 in 5 2-3. Hit by pitcher, by Connolly (Noguiera); Basiliere Monteleone). Winning pitcher, Basiliere. Losing pitcher, Connolly. Umpires, Thompson and Troy. Time, 1h, 30m.

POLISH FALCONS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Graham, 2b	1	0	0	2	2	0
Goodrich, rf	3	0	0	3	0	0
Canzano, cf	4	0	0	1	0	0
Shea, lf	3	0	0	5	0	0
Bruno, c	1	1	1	2	1	0
Quadrozzi, 3b	2	0	0	1	0	0
Ouellette, ss	2	0	1	1	0	0
Burke, ss	1	0	0	0	0	0
Reinhold, 1b	3	1	2	3	0	0
Hyland, p	3	0	0	0	1	0
a-Kelly	0	0	0	0	0	0
b-Powers	0	0	0	0	0	0
	23	2	4	18	4	0

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Donglas, 2b	3	1	1	1	1	0
Schmaizel, lf	4	0	1	1	0	0
Cohen, cf	3	1	2	0	0	0
Genzabella, c, p	3	0	1	6	1	0
Brindle, 1b	2	0	1	5	0	0
Carroll, ss	2	0	0	1	1	0
Venti, p, c	3	0	1	5	1	0
Seigel, 3b	3	0	1	2	2	0
Kazaka, rf	2	1	0	0	0	0
	25	3	8	21	6	0

Besse-Clarke	000	021	—3
Polish Falcons	001	100	0—2

a—Walked for Graham in 7th.
b—Ran for Kelly in 7th.

Runs batted in, Schmaizel, Genzabella, Brindle, Graham, Reinhold. Three-base hits Reinhold. Stolen bases, Seigel, Brindle. Sacrifice, Goodrich. Double play, Venti, Douglas to Brindle. Left on bases, Polish Falcons 7, Besse-Clarke 9. Base on balls, off Venti 5, Genzabella 2, Hyland 6. Struck out, by Venti 6, Genzabella 5, Hyland 2. Hits, off Venti, 3 in 4 innings; Genzabella, 1 in 3. Winning pitcher, Genzabella. Losing pitcher, Hyland. Umpires, Holden and Knox. Time, 1h, 35m.

VFW 448 Tops Sable's In L.B. Play

6-25-53

St. Mary's Team Staggers Jets In 15-2 Contest

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	5	1	.883
Rams	4	2	.667
Besse-Clarke	3	2	.600
Jets	1	5	.167

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
VFW 448	5	2	.714
St. Mary's	4	2	.667
Polish Falcons	1	4	.200
Optimists Club	0	5	.000

The VFW 448 blasted six hits off two pitchers to throttle powerful Bill Sable's, 11-3, at Clapp Park while St. Mary's launched a 21-hit attack to trim the Jets, 27-2, at Deming Field, in two Little Bigger Baseball League games last night.

Sable's Chris Gilson hurled steady ball until the third inning when he went wild and allowed the VFW to score seven runs. The scores came on five walks, a hit batsman, an error and a pair of singles. He was replaced by McCartney, but the winners continued to pile up their lead with another run in the fourth and two more in the fifth.

Sable's collected seven hits off VFW's Jimmy Walsh and scored once in the fourth and twice in the seventh. Walsh and Dick Lee had the big extra-base triples in the game.

St. Mary's, meanwhile, made the most of its heavy hitting as it scored in every inning. Three runs crossed in the first, two in the second, one in the third, and 12 in the disastrous fourth. Then followed four more in the fifth and five in the sixth. The staggering Jets were held to 18 hits by Benny Noguiera, and scored only single runs in the third and fifth.

VFW 448

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pulaski, 1b	2	3	1	4	1	1
Denno, 3b	1	1	0	1	3	0
Tully, c	3	2	2	8	1	0
Clayson, cf	2	1	0	4	0	0
Walsh, p	3	1	1	0	2	0
Burzamati, 2b	3	2	1	2	0	0
McGill, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Clancy, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Heidel, lf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Rote, ss	3	1	0	2	1	0
	24	11	6	21	8	1

BILL SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, 2b-p	3	2	0	1	1	1
Dick Heidel, lf	3	0	1	2	1	0
Gilson, p-1b	4	0	1	3	1	0
Dick Lee, cf-c	4	0	2	3	0	0
Don Perry, 1b-2b	4	0	2	3	0	0
Gilbert, c	1	0	0	4	0	0
Tuggey, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Starkey, ss	2	0	0	1	0	1
Dellert, 3b	3	0	0	1	2	0
Gallagher, rf-cf	2	1	1	0	0	0
	27	3	7	18	5	2

Bill Sables	000	100	2— 3
VFW 448	107	120	—11

Runs batted in, Pulaski, Clayson, Walsh 3, Heidel 2, Lee 2, Perry. Two base hits, Burzamati, Gallagher, C. Heidel. Three base hits, Jim Walsh, Dick Lee. Stolen bases, Tully. Double plays, Dick Heidel to Gilbert, Rote to Pulaski. Left on bases, VFW 7, Bill Sable's 8. Base on balls, off Gilson 10, McCartney 1, Walsh 5. Struck out, by Walsh 8, Gilson 4, McCartney 1. Hits off Gilson 2 in 4 inns.; off McCartney 4 in 3 inns. Hit by pitcher Jim Walsh. Winning pitcher Jim Walsh. Losing pitcher Chris Gilson. Umpires, Turner and Garivaltis. T, 1H, 50M.

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	2	1	1	0	0	0
Hebier, ss	2	4	0	0	1	1
Gregory, 2b	2	2	2	0	2	0
LeClair, 2b	0	2	0	0	3	0
Bennett, 3b	5	3	3	3	0	0
Mitchell c-cf	6	1	2	5	0	0
NoGuiera, p	3	3	2	0	5	0
Pires, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ormesbee, rf	2	1	0	0	0	0
Basiliere, cf	1	1	1	0	0	0
Lennon, c	4	1	1	3	0	2
Viner, 1b	3	4	2	9	0	0
Greenleaf, lf	2	4	1	1	0	1
	33	27	15	21	11	4

JETS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McKeever, ss-c	3	1	1	4	0	1
McColgan, 1b-3b-p	3	0	0	3	0	2
Castanzo, p-lf	2	0	1	0	2	0
Portiori, 3b-ss-p	3	0	1	0	4	3
Mole, cf-p	2	0	0	2	1	0
Woodin, lf-1b	3	0	0	1	1	1
Butler, lf-1b-p-3b	2	0	0	7	0	2
Gabie, c-rf	1	1	0	1	0	0
McLaughlin, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Murphy, 2b	3	0	0	0	0	0
	22	2	13	18	8	9

Jets	001	010	0— 2
St. Mary's	321	1245	0—27

Runs batted in—Portiere, Gregory 2, LeClair 2, Bennett 6, Mitchell, Noguiera 3, Viner. Home runs, Benny Noguiera 2, Bob Bennett—grand slam. Left on bases Jets 5, St. Mary's 5. Base on balls, off Noguiera 6, Jets pitchers 15. Struck out, by Noguiera 5, Jets pitchers 6. Winning pitcher Noguiera. Losing pitcher Costanzo. Umpires, Troy and Gans. T, 2H.

Ricchi's Sets New Record In 34-7 Win

6-26-53

Defending Champs Down Drafters In Park League

Defending champion Ricchi's went on a hitting rampage and set a new season scoring record by defeating the GE Drafters, 34-7, in a Park Department Softball League game at Deming Field last night.

Art Martin and Ed Poulin homered, but that wasn't all for every player that started the game collected at least two hits each. Chuck Jones rapped two safeties for the Drafters.

In another contest, the Postal AC topped E. D. Jones, 8-5. The win was sparked by a five-run spurt in the fourth. Tony Penna and Ray Tart had three hits apiece, and Harry Ricci belted a home run for the winners. Paul Magnano collected three hits and Joe Skowron homered for E. D. Jones.

Eaton Paper and Honiker's Service Station will meet on diamond No. 2, and Brady's Market will meet the Richman Club on diamond No. 3, in the two games scheduled at 6.30 tonight.

Optimists Win, 4-3, Over Falcons

6/29/53

Jets Upset Bill Sable's In Other Game

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	5	3	.714
Rams	4	3	.571
Besse-Clarke	3	3	.500
Jets	2	5	.286

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
VFW 448	5	2	.714
St. Mary's	4	2	.667
Polish Falcons	2	5	.286
Optimists Club	2	5	.286

The last-place Optimists Club stopped the explosive Polish Falcons, 4-3, and the Jets upset league-leading Bill Sable's, 6-5, in two Little Bigger Baseball League contests Saturday afternoon at Deming Field.

The Optimists, behind Pansecchi's six-hit hurling, lashed out with five safeties of their own to score once in the third, twice in the fourth and once again in the sixth. The Falcons scored single runs in the third, sixth and seventh.

Sable's appeared to be well on its way to another victory, until starter Chris Gilson yielded four hits, two walks and hit a batter with a pitched ball. And, after the fracas was all over, the Jets had scored five runs. The Jets' other tally came in the fourth. Sable's scored twice in the fourth and three times in the fifth.

The scores:

FALCONS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Ouelette, 2b, rf	3	0	1	1	1	1
Burke, ss	3	0	1	0	0	0
Goodrich, rf, p	4	0	0	0	0	0
Shea, lf	4	0	0	2	1	0
Bruno, c	2	0	0	3	0	0
Quadrozzi, 3b	2	1	2	1	3	0
Canzano, cf	3	0	1	4	0	0
Reinhold, 1b	2	0	0	6	0	2
a-Kelly	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hyland, p	2	1	1	1	3	0
Graham, 2b	0	1	0	0	0	0
	25	3	6	18	8	3

OPTIMISTS' CLUB

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Navin, 1b	4	0	0	6	0	0
Spadafora, 3b	3	0	1	1	2	0
Vollinger, rf	2	0	1	1	0	0
DelGallo, c	2	0	0	5	0	1
Dwyer, cf	3	0	1	4	0	0
Lake, ss	2	1	0	3	3	1
Keegan, lf	2	0	0	1	0	1
Brown, 2b	2	2	1	0	2	0
Pansecchi, p	2	1	1	0	1	0
	22	4	5	21	8	3

Optimists'	001	201 —4
Polish Falcons	001	001 1—3

a—Walked for Reinhold in 7th.

Runs batted in, Canzano, Vollinger, Pansecchi 2. Two-base hits, Hyland, Pansecchi. Stolen bases, Spadafora, Lake, Keegan, Brown, Burke, Quadrozzi. Sacrifices, DelGallo, Keegan. Left on bases, Polish Falcons 7, Optimists' 7. Base on balls, off Pansecchi 6, Hyland 4. Struck out, by Pansecchi 5, Hyland 2. Hits, off Hyland, 4 in 5 innings; Goodrich, 1 in 1. Hit by pitcher, by Hyland (Brown). Winning pitcher, Pansecchi. Losing pitcher, Hyland. Umpires, Troy and Bruni. Time, 1h, 40m.

JETS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bonaquisti, 3b	3	0	0	0	1	1
McKeever, 2b	4	0	0	5	0	1
Costanza, cf	4	1	1	3	0	0
Plouffe, lf	4	2	2	0	0	0
Woodin, rf	4	1	1	0	0	0
Portieri, ss	3	1	1	5	6	0
Gable, c	2	1	2	3	1	1
Procopio, 1b	1	0	0	3	0	0
Roach, 1b	1	0	0	1	0	0
Mole, p	2	0	0	1	2	0
	28	6	7	21	10	3

BILL SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, 2b, p	3	1	0	1	1	0
Gallagher, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Lee, cf	1	1	0	0	0	0
Tuggey, ss	3	1	1	0	0	0
Gilson, p, 1b	4	1	3	2	0	0
Stanton, 1b	1	0	0	4	0	1
Heidel, lf	3	0	2	2	0	0
Perry, ss, 2b, 1	4	0	1	1	5	1
Gilbert, c	3	0	0	11	0	1
Dellert, 3b	1	1	0	0	4	2
	26	5	7	21	10	5

Jets	000	150 0—6
Sable's	000	230 0—5

Runs batted in, Gilson 2, Heidel 2, Tuggey, Bonaquisti, Woodin, Portieri. Stolen bases, Plouffe 2, Portieri, Gable 4, Procopio. Double play, Dellert, Perry, to Gilson. Left on bases, Bill Sable's 9, Jets 8. Base on balls, off Mole 5, Gilson 4, McCartney. Struck out, by Mole 1, Gilson 4, McCartney 1. Hits, off Gilson, 6 in 5 innings; McCartney, 0 in 2. Hit by pitcher, by Gilson (Portieri, Mole); Mole (Lee 2). Winning pitcher, Mole. Losing pitcher, Gilson. Umpires, Bruni and Troy. Time, 1h, 40m.

Ricchi's Sunoco Extends String To 24 Victories

Ricchi's Sunoco softball team extended its winning streak to 24 games by defeating Brady's Market, 4-0, in an exhibition contest at Deming Field yesterday afternoon.

Teddy Martin hurled three-hit ball for the winners. He allowed only five men to reach base. He was aided by two snappy double plays and a two-run double by Al Bianchi.

Optimists Score Win In L.B. Loop

6/26/53

Polish Falcons Subdue Rams In 16-1 Contest

The Optimists Club edged Besse-Clarke, 6-5, at Clapp Park, and the Polish Falcons polished off the Rams, 16-1, at Deming Field, in two Little Bigger Baseball League games last night.

For the Optimists, it was the first victory after five consecutive defeats. Pitcher Ted Keegan belted a home run in the fifth to tie the score, and Bobby Vollinger drove in the winning run in the sixth. The Optimists also tallied one in the first and three in the fourth.

Besse-Clarke banged five hits off Keegan and scored twice in the second and three times in the third. Keegan fanned seven and walke dthe same number. The two Besse-Clarke hurlers, Beals and Genzabella, fanned two batters and walked two.

The Falcons, meanwhile, banged out a dozen hits off Ed Connolly and Radke, to score six runs in the first, four in the second, four in the third and finally two in the sixth. The Rams' lone tally came in the fourth.

The Rams' center fielder, Roger Canzano, helped ring up the total when he belted a home run with the bases loaded.

OPTIMISTS' CLUB

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Navin, 1b	4	1	2	8	0	0
Spadafora, 3b	3	1	1	2	1	0
Vollinger, rf, lf	3	0	2	0	0	0
DelGallo, 3b, c	4	0	1	6	0	0
Dwyer, cf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Lake, ss	3	0	0	0	2	0
Keegan, p	3	2	2	1	1	0
Conry, 2b	2	1	0	1	1	1
Hoctor, c	1	0	0	2	2	1
Pansecchi, rf	2	1	1	0	0	0
	28	6	9	21	7	2

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Douglas, 2b	2	1	1	0	0	0
Killackey, 2b	1	0	1	0	0	0
Cohen, lf	1	1	0	1	0	1
Genezabella, cf, p	4	1	1	0	2	0
Brindle, 1b, c	3	1	0	7	0	0
Carroll, ss	2	0	1	3	5	0
Venti, c, 1b	4	1	1	4	0	0
Seigel, 3b	3	0	0	2	3	1
Mendel, rf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Beals, p	2	0	0	0	0	0
Kazaka, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
	25	5	5	18	10	2

Optimists	100	311 —6
Besse-Clarke	023	000 0—5

Runs batted in, Genzabella, Carroll, Spadafora, Vollinger, DelGallo, Keegan, Pansecchi. Tow-base hit, Navin. Three-base hit, Venti. Home run, Keegan. Stolen bases, Douglas, Brindle, Seigel 2, Spadagora, Vollinger, Pansecchi. Sacrifice, Conry. Left on bases, Besse-Clarke 7, Optimists' Club 7. Base on balls, off Beals 2, Keegan 7. Struck out, by Beals 1, Genzabella 1, Keegan 7. Hits, off Beals, 6 in 4 innings; Genzabella, 3 in 2. Hit by pitcher, by Keegan (Cohen). Winning pitcher, Keegan. Losing pitcher, Genzabella. Umpires, Knox and Holden. Time, 1h, 50m.

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pivero, 2b	3	0	0	1	0	1
Pullaro, rf, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	1
Clark, p, 2b, lf	3	0	0	2	0	1
Gamberoni, cf	4	0	2	1	0	0
Manship, c	3	1	1	4	1	0
Seeley, 3b	3	0	2	4	0	1
Scholz, lf, ss, rf	3	0	1	2	1	0
Lee, 1b	3	0	0	3	0	2
Rodhouse, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Connolly, p, lf	1	0	0	1	0	0
Radke, ss, p	3	0	2	0	1	1
	27	1	8	18	3	7

POLISH FALCONS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Ouelette, 2b	1	2	0	0	1	0
Kelly, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Graham, 2b	0	0	0	1	0	0
Goodrich, p	3	4	1	0	1	0
Ssea, lf	5	2	2	3	0	1
Reinhold, 1b	4	1	2	4	2	0
Quadrozzi, 3b	4	2	1	2	0	0
Bruno, c	3	2	2	9	0	0
Canzano, cf	4	1	2	1	1	0
Burke, ss	5	2	2	1	2	1
Powers, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Hyland, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
	33	16	12	21	7	2

Runs batted in, Scholz, Shea 2, Reinhold 2, Bruno 2, Canzano 6. Two-base hits, Reinhold. Canzano. Three-base hit, Radke. Home run, Canzano, grand slam. Stolen bases, Manship 2. Left on bases, Polish Falcons 8, Rams 7. Base on balls, off Goodrich 3, Rams pitchers 8. Struck out, by Goodrich 7, Rams pitchers 5. Hit by pitcher, by Connolly (Bruno). Winning pitcher, Goodrich. Losing pitcher, Clark. Umpires, Troy and Thompson. Time, 2h.

Pia Throws One-Hitter For Sable's

6/26/53

Farrell's Team Wins—North League Lists Schedule

Louis Pia, Bill Sable's well-built right-hander, pitched a one-hitter in a 16-1 victory over the Elks in a Little East Little League game last night at Deming Field. In the West League, Clem Farrell's rolled over Yellow Cab 12-0 at Clapp Park. The North League was idle.

Sable's and Farrell's both had big innings. Sable's scored 11 runs in the third, and Farrell's made eight in the second.

Ken MacFadyen, Sable's shortstop, hit his second home run in two nights. He also had a single, and was credited with three RBI's. Pia helped his own cause with three singles. Gary (Butch) Scarafoni had two hits for the winners.

Pia struck out nine, and didn't issue a pass.

Hagyard pitched fine ball for Farrell's. He allowed only four hits.

The North League today released a list of new dates for postponed games. All will be played at Wahconah Field in the coming week. The slate follows: Sunday, Pittsfield Co-operative Bank vs Shandoff's; Monday, Brady's Cleaners vs C. & C. Motors; Wednesday, Shandoff's vs Brady's; Thursday, C. C. Motors vs Pittsfield Co-operative; Friday, Shandoff's vs Brady's.

The scores:

SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Cox, cf	2	0	0	0	0	0
McCartney, cf	1	1	1	0	0	0
Mezza, if, 2b	3	2	1	0	1	1
Quadrozzi, 1b	3	1	1	4	0	0
Coughlin, 1b	1	1	0	4	0	0
Scarafoni, 1b	3	2	2	9	0	0
K. MacFadyen, ss	4	1	2	0	1	1
Pia, p	4	3	3	0	3	0
P. O'Gara, rf	2	2	0	0	0	0
Ryan, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sabato, 3b	3	2	1	1	0	0
Heidel, 2b	1	0	1	0	1	0
Daly, lf	1	1	0	0	0	0
S. MacFadyen, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0
	28	16	12	18	6	2

ELKS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
O'Brien, 3b	2	0	0	1	1	1
Connors, p, cf	2	0	0	0	2	1
Wallace, 1b	2	1	0	2	1	1
Burns, c	2	0	1	9	1	1
Bennett, lf	1	0	0	2	0	1
Rogers, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bove, ss	2	0	0	0	0	1
Lee, cf, p	2	0	0	1	1	1
J. O'Gara, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hart, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
McBride, 2b	1	0	0	0	1	1
Valenti, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
a-Friel	1	0	0	0	0	0
b-Meehan	1	0	0	0	0	0
	20	1	1	15	7	8

Sable's	1311	10 —16
Elks	00 0	100— 1

a—Batted for O'Brien in 6th.
b—Batted for Connors in 6th.

Runs batted in, Burns, MacFadyen 3, Sabato, Heidel 2, MacCartney, Mezza, Quadrozzi. Home run, N. MacFadyen. Stolen bases, MacCartney, Quadrozzi, Coughlin, Scarafoni, Pia. Base on balls, off Connors 6, Lee 2. Struck out, by Connors 1, Lee 4, Pia 9. Hits, off Connors, 12 in 3 innings; Lee, 0 in 2. Hit by pitcher, by Connors 2. Passed ball, Burns. Losing pitcher, Connors. Umpires, Arpanti and Farrell. Time, 1h, 15m.

		R.	H.	E.
Farrell's	080	103	12	10 0
Yellow Cab	000	000	0	4 1

Hagyard and Varanka; Jacobs and DeGroat.

L.B.L. List Week's Slate

June 27, 1953

The following is the Little Bigger Baseball League schedule for the coming week:

Monday

Deming—Optimist Club vs Jets (make-up, rain).
Wahconah—Besse-Clarke vs Bill Sable's (make-up, rain).

Tuesday

Deming—St. Mary's vs Besse-Clarke.
Wahconah—VFW vs Rams.

Wednesday

Deming—Polish Falcons vs Jets.
Clapp—Optimists vs Bill Sable.

Thursday

Deming—VFW vs Besse-Clarke.
Clapp—St. Mary's vs Rams.

Eaton Paper, Brady's Win In Park Loop

June 27, 1953

PARK DEPARTMENT SOFTBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Potsal A. C.	6	1	.857
Brady's Market	5	2	.714
Eagles Club	4	2	.667
Richmond Club	2	5	.286
E. D. Jones	0	7	.000

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Ricchi's Sunoco Station	6	0	1.000
Stanley's Grill	4	1	.800
Eaton Paper	5	2	.714
Honiker's Service tSation	1	5	.167
England Bros.	1	5	.167
G. E. Drafters	1	5	.167

Eaton Paper edged Honiker's Service Station, 6-5, and Brady's Market shut out the Richman Club, 8-0, in two Park Department Softball League games at Deming Field last night.

Billy Petell was largely responsible for Eaton's victory as he banged out three hits and came through the tight spots on the mound. Ray Shogry of Honiker's pulled the fielding gem of the night with a driving shoe string catch of a line drive.

Bill Jakacky held the Richman team to five hits. Gene Pomerleau led the winners' attack with three safeties. Clem Lacy collected two of Richman's five hits.

The GE Drafters and Eaton Paper will meet Tuesday night on diamond No. 2, while Postal AC and the Eagles' play on diamond No. 3. Both games will begin at 6.30.

Lenox Juniors

GE Drafters, Eagles' Club Score Wins

July 1-53

The GE Drafters, behind the four-hit pitching of Paul Nixon, downed Eaton Paper, 11-2, and the Eagles' topped the Postal AC, 12-9, in two Park Department Softball League games at Deming Field last night.

Chuck Jones and Jim McCarthy led the Drafters' attack with two hits apiece. Lou Allessio homered for the losers.

Tony Trepani, Ham Enright and San DePasquale connected twice each for the Eagles. Harry Ricci and Ed Morowski belted homers for the losers.

England Brothers and Stanley's Grill will meet on diamond No. 2 at 6.30 tonight in the only game scheduled.

GE Drafters, Eagles' Club Score Wins

7-1-53

The GE Drafters, behind the four-hit pitching of Paul Nixon, downed Eaton Paper, 11-2, and the Eagles' topped the Postal AC, 12-9, in two Park Department Softball League games at Deming Field last night.

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Rams Beat VFW 448

7-1-53

St. Mary's Tops Besse-Clarke In Other Contest

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	5	2	.714
Rams	5	3	.625
Besse-Clarke	3	4	.429
Jets	3	5	.375

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Mary's	5	2	.714
V.F.W.	5	3	.625
Polish Falcons	2	5	.286
Optimists Club	2	6	.250

The Rams, exploding for 10 hits, topped VFW 12-8, at Wahconah Park, and St. Mary's, behind Mazzeo's capable eight-hit pitching, downed Besse-Clarke, 9-5, at Deming Field in Little Bigger Baseball League contests last night.

The Rams, behind the heavy bats of John Manship, John Seeley and Dave Scholz, scored three times in the third, seven in the fourth, one in the fifth and one in the sixth. The VFW team banged 11 safeties off the Rams' pitching to score once in the second, four times in the third and three in the fifth.

Bobby Bennett and Butch LeClair each singled twice to lead the St. Mary's attack. The winners scored two in the second, two more in the third, one in the fourth and five in the fifth. Bennett homered to drive in three runs. And catcher Pete Mitchell got one hit, a triple.

Besse-Clarke collected eight hits off St. Mary's pitching, but remained scoreless for the first six innings. All five runs crossed in the seventh.

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Monteleone, ss	4	0	0	2	1	2
Connolly, rf, p	3	2	0	0	1	0
Clark, lf, rf	3	1	1	0	1	0
Manship, c	4	3	3	3	1	0
Seeley, 3b	3	2	3	2	3	0
Scholz, p, lf	4	2	2	0	3	0
Lee, 1b	3	1	0	8	0	2
Rodhouse, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gamberoni, cf	4	1	1	2	0	0
Pivero, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Radke, 2b	2	0	0	4	2	1
	30	12	10	21	12	5

V.F.W. 448

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Burzamati, 2b	3	1	1	1	2	0
Pulaski, p, rf, 1b	3	0	0	0	1	0
Denno, 3b	4	1	1	1	2	1
Clayson, cf, c	4	3	3	5	1	0
Walsh, c, p	3	0	3	3	1	0
Clancy, rf, cf	3	0	1	0	0	1
Rote, ss	4	1	0	1	1	0
Heidel, lf	4	1	0	0	0	0
McGill, 1b, p	4	1	2	7	2	1
x-Balmer	1	0	0	0	0	0
	33	8	11	18	10	3

x-Grounded out for Burzamati in 7th.

VFW 448	014	030	0	— 8
Rams	003	711		—12

Runs batted in, Manship 2, Seeley 2, Scholz, Gamberoni 1, Lee, Clayson, Walsh 2, Clancy, Rote. Two base hit, Seeley. Three base hits, Manship, Clayson, Walsh. Stolen bases, Seeley. Left on bases, Rams 11, VFW 448, 8. Base on balls, off McGill 3, Pulaski 6, Walsh 3, Scholz 2. Struck out, by Pulaski 3, Walsh 4, Scholz 3. Hits, off Scholz 9 in 5 innings; off Connolly 2 in 2 innings; off Connolly 2 in 2 innings; off Pulaski 6 in 4 innings; off Walsh 4 in 2 innings. Hit by pitcher, by Scholz, Clancy. Winning pitcher, Dave Scholz. Losing pitcher Pete Pulaski. Umpire, Garivaltis and Knox. Time, 2h, 15m.

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	3	1	1	0	2	0
Hebler, ss	2	1	1	0	0	0
Basiliere, lf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Greenleaf, lf	1	1	1	0	0	1
Bennett, 3b	3	2	1	2	2	0
Leclair, rf, cf	2	2	2	3	0	0
Mitchell, c	3	1	1	6	2	0
Noguira, cf	3	0	1	2	0	0
Ormesbee, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gregory, 2b	1	0	1	2	0	0
Pires, 2b	2	0	1	2	0	0
Lennon, 1b	2	0	1	2	0	0
Viner, 1b	1	1	0	2	0	0
Mazzeo, p	2	0	0	0	2	0
	29	9	12	21	8	1

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Douglas, 2b	1	0	0	2	0	0
Beals, p	2	0	1	0	2	0
Schmaizel, lf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Mendel, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Cohen, cf	3	1	3	1	0	0
Venti, p, rf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Brindle, c	3	1	2	6	0	2
Carroll, 2b	2	0	0	1	1	0
Griffin, 3b	0	1	0	1	0	0
Walsh, 1b	2	0	0	2	0	0
Williams, 1b	0	1	0	0	0	0
Killackey, ss	2	0	0	2	2	0
Kazaka, ss	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seigel, rf, 3b	3	0	1	2	1	0
	26	5	8	18	6	2

Besse-Clarke	000	000	5—5
St. Mary's	022	140	—9

Runs batted in, Bennett 3, Greenleaf, Mitchell, NoGuiera, Gregory, Beals, Brindle, Williams, Siegel. Three base hit, Pete Mitchell. Home run, Bob Bennett (drove in 3 runs). Stolen bases, Pellerin, Hebler, Greenleaf, Bennett 2, Leclair, Mitchell, Mazzeo. Left on bases, Besse-Clarke 3, St. Mary's 8. Base on balls, off Mazzeo 3, Venti 5, Beals 3. Struck out, by Mazzeo 6, Venti 3. Hits, off Venti 7 in 4 innings; off Beals 5 in 2 innings. Winning pitcher, Bob Mazzeo. Losing pitcher, Paul Venti. Umpires, Gans and Troy. Time, 1h, 45m.

Ricchi's Tops Eaton Paper In Park Loop

Defending champion Ricchi's Sunoco topped Eaton Paper, 10-1, and the Postal AC defeated the Eagles' Club, 14-9, in two Park Department Softball League games at Deming Field Thursday night.

The Ricchi's-Eaton Paper contest was close until the sixth inning, when the winners exploded for nine runs. Ted Martin was the big batter, with three hits in four trips to the plate. John Perry hurled five-hit ball for the victors.

Postal AC scored eight runs in the fifth and five more in the sixth to throttle the Eagles. Ed Bercury starred for the winners with three for four, including two home runs. He drove in five runs. Fred Durling was four for four for Postal, while Ed Cooke was three for three for the losers.

The Richman Club and the Sanitation Department will meet on diamond No. 3, and the GE Drafters and Honiker's Service Station will play on diamond No. 2 at 6.30 tonight.

Three Teams Win Games in Park League

Honiker's Service Station edged the GE Drafters, 6-5, and the Sanitation Department forfeited to the Richman Club Friday, and the Eagles' Club defeated E. D. Jones, 6-4, yesterday in Park Department Softball League games at Deming Field.

Honiker's scored its winning run in the sixth. Terry MacCartney led his team to victory with three for three. The Drafters left 10 men on base. Enright was responsible for two of the Eagles' three hits in the win over E. D. Jones. The winners scored three runs in the third. Skowron and Murphy each had a pair of safeties for the losers.

Eaton Paper and England Brothers will meet on diamond No. 2, and Brady's Market and the Eagles' will play on diamond No. 3 in games scheduled tonight at 6.30.

Junior League To Be Formed

7-2-53

Two Pittsfield teams and others from Dalton and Lenox have already indicated they will play in a Berkshire County Junior Baseball League about to be organized here, Park Department Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert announced yesterday.

There are indications that either Adams or North Adams will also enter teams.

The new league is an expansion of the city's franchise with the All-American Amateur Baseball Association in Johnstown, Pa. The winner here will compete in the national junior tournament at the end of each season at Johnstown.

19th Victory

7-2-53

Brady's Market racked up its 19th victory Tuesday night as it defeated the Richmond Club, 9-4, in an exhibition softball game. Dick Fish was the winning pitcher, and Bill Smith homered for Brady's.

Organizing Berkshire County Junior League

7/2/53

Two Teams From Pittsfield, One Each From Dalton And Lenox Already in Fold

By ED TOOLE

Pittsfield, July 1 — Mainly through the untiring efforts of Vincent Hebert, director of parks and recreaiton in the city of Pittsfield, a Berkshire County Junior Baseball League is about to be organized. This new circuit will include two teams from Pittsfield and one from Dalton and Lenox. There is also a strong possibility that either Adams or North Adams may be brought into the fold by the end of the week.

Look for Expansion

This new loop for kid baseball will actually be an expansion of Pittsfield's franchise with the All American Amateur Baseball Association, with headquarters in Johnstown, Pa. What with the winner to go to the All American Junior Baseball Tournament at Johnstown each August, it is hoped that the newly organized league will be doubled in size by next summer.

The Pittsfield winners of 1952—the Majestic Restaurant nine, coached by Dan Healy—will automatically return to defend the national championship they won in Johnstown last summer. In addition to this club there will be another entry from the Shire City when the loop gets into action.

From South Berkshire there will be an entry from Lenox. This team, which is being organized tonight, will be under the sponsorship of Butch Gregory who for years has furnished his home town with the finest of professional basketball in Western New England.

And from the baseball hotbed of Dalton will come another high calibered nine under the guidance of Bob Boyd who has long been affiliated with successful amateur baseball undertakings in the Papertown.

Adams Is Possibility

There has also been some talk out of Adams to the effect that the Mothertown lodge of Elks is considering seeking entrance in this new circuit. However, nothing official has reached the Department of Parks and Recreation here as yet.

It is most likely that Pittsfield's second entry will be coached by either Eddie Hickey or Johnny Lyons. However, assurance of a fast club has been guaranteed, according to Pat Bruni, handling details for Hebert.

In addition to greatly improving the franchise locally, Hebert has the idea of completing the picture of youth baseball, in Pittsfield, as well as other Berkshire communities.

What with Little League and Little Bigger League baseball flourishing throughout the length and breadth of the Berkshire hills it is his idea to build for the future a sound program of junior baseball into which the graduates of Little Bigger League competition may move.

Eaton Paper Tops Ricchi's In Park Loop

July 3 '53
7/3/53

Game Is Called In the Seventh Because of Rain

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Ricchi's Sunoco	6	1	.857
Stanley's Grill	5	1	.833
Eaton Paper	6	3	.667
GE Drafters	2	5	.286
Honiker's Service Station	1	5	.167
England Brothers	1	6	.143

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Postal AC	6	2	.750
Eagle's Club	6	2	.750
Brady's Market	5	3	.625
Richman Club	2	5	.286
E. D. Jones	0	7	.000

Eaton Paper exploded for four runs in the opening inning to upset league-leading Ricchi's Sunoco, 4-3, while the Eagles' downed Brady's Market, 5-2, in two Park Department Softball League games at Deming Field last night.

Ricchi's, in its first loss of the season, scored two runs in the top of the seventh to go ahead. But then it started to rain and Eaton Paper was unable to take its last licks and the score reverted back to the count at the end of the sixth. Bill Petell went the route for the winners and also starred at the plate. Art and Ted Martin each belted homers for the losers.

Bobby Enright yielded six hits as he went the distance for the Eagles'. Dauro Baccoli and Ham Enright each hit twice to lead the winners' offensive attack. Doc Fisher had two safeties for the losers.

E. D. Jones will play the Richman Club on Deming's diamond No. 2 in the only league game scheduled Monday night at 6.30.

Ed Johnson's Defeats Elks

7/6/53

Crescent Creamery Tops Bill Sable's In East League

Ed Johnson's defeated the Elks, 8-3, and Crescent Creamery topped Bill Sable's, 11-7, in two East Little Bigger League games at Deming Field yesterday afternoon.

Johnson's despite a total of only five hits, scored all of its runs in the second inning. The Elks tallied twice in the third and once in the fifth.

The Crescents launched a 14-hit attack against Sable's to score twice in the second, once in the third, three in the fourth, two in the fifth and three more in the sixth. Sable's collected 10 hits and scored once in the third, four times in the fourth, and twice in the fifth. Kenny MacFadyen was the offensive star for Sable's with a fifth-inning homer.

The scores:

ELKS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Hart, 3b	2	0	0	1	1	0
Friel, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
O'Brien, c	3	1	0	9	0	2
Connors, ss, cf	3	1	2	1	0	0
[illegible]	1	0	1	0	1	0
Lee, cf, p	2	0	1	0	1	0
Wallace, 1b	3	0	0	6	0	0
J. O'Gara, rf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Magner, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Rogers, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bove, p, ss	2	1	1	0	0	0
	23	3	5	18	3	2

JOHNSON'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Rilla, lf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Furey, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Williams, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
McKeever, ss	2	1	0	1	0	0
O'Hearn, cf	3	1	0	3	0	0
Frank, c	1	1	0	8	1	0
Briwges, 3b	1	2	1	0	0	0
Costanza, 3b	1	0	0	0	0	1
Connolly, p	3	1	3	1	1	1
Solin, 1b	1	1	0	2	1	0
Volin, 2b	1	1	0	0	0	0
	19	8	5	15	3	2

Johnson's ..... 080 00 —8
Elks ..... 002 010—3

Two-base hit, Connolly. Stolen base, Connors. Left on bases, Elks 7, Johnson's 9. Base on balls, off Connolly 5, Bove 7, Lee 3. Struck out, by Connolly 8, Bove 2, Lee 5. Hits, off Connolly, 5 in 6 innings; Bove, 3 in 1 2-3; Lee, 2 in 3 1-3. Hit by pitcher, by Bove 2 (Rilla, Frank). Wild pitches, Connolly 3. Winning pitcher, Connolly. Losing pitcher, Bove. Umpires, Farrell and Plouffe. Time, 1h, 35m.

CRESCENTS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Tagliaferro, rf	4	1	2	0	0	0
Scullary, ss	3	1	1	2	0	0
Budney, 3b	4	2	2	0	1	0
Spence, p	4	1	2	0	1	0
Badger, c	4	1	2	14	0	0
Kernahan, 2b	4	0	2	0	0	0
Dorman, 1b	2	2	2	0	0	0
Barry, 1b	2	1	0	2	0	0
Chappel, cf	4	2	2	0	1	0
Codey, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Holmes, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
	34	11	15	18	3	0

SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Mazza, lf	4	0	2	0	1	0
P. O'Gara, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Daly, rf	1	0	0	1	0	0
K. MacFadyen, ss	3	1	1	0	2	3
Scarfoni, c	3	2	3	4	1	0
Quadrozzi, cf	3	1	1	2	0	0
Pia, 1b	3	1	2	9	0	0
Sabato, 3b	3	1	1	2	3	1
McCartney, p	1	1	0	0	2	0
Cox, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Heidel, 2b	2	0	0	0	0	0
S. MacFadyen, 2b	1	0	0	0	1	0
	27	7	10	18	10	4

Crescents ..... 021 323—11
Sable's ..... 001 420— 7

Two-base hits, Mazza, Scullary, Spence, Chappell. Home runs, Budney, K. MacFadyen. Stolen base, Sabata. Left on bases, Crescents 9, Sable's 5. Base on balls, off Spence 1, McCartney 1, Mazza 1. Struck out, by Spence 14, McCartney 2, Mazza 2. Hits, off McCartney, 10 in 4 innings; Mazza, 5 in 2. Losing pitcher, McCartney. Umpires, Curtis, Gilson and Farrell. Time, 1h, 10m.

Ricchi's Wins Double Bill

Summer Cafe, Lebanon AA Are 16-6, 8-6 Losers

Ricchi's Sunoco softball team swept a day and night double-header yesterday winning over Summer Street Cafe, 16-6 in the afternoon at Deming Field and defeating the Lebanon, N.Y. AA under the lights at New Lebanon, 8-6. John Perry was the winning pitcher in both contests.

Eddie Poulin, with two homers and a double led the attack for Ricchi's in the daylight tilt, driving in six runs. Perry and catcher Al Bianchi also hit for the circuit.

Fred Shogry, with two hits, and Bianchi excelled in the nightcap at New Lebanon.

Tomorrow night Ricchi's will play the Spinc AA at the Lee Athletic Field.

St. Mary's Wins Easily In L.B. League

7/7/53

Besse-Clarke Upsets Sable's In Other Game

LITTLE BIGGER LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	6	3	.667
Rams	5	3	.625
Besse-Clarke	4	4	.500
Jets	3	6	.333

LAST NIGHT'S RESULT

Besse-Clarke 7, Bill Sable's 5.

NATIONAL

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Mary's	6	2	.750
VFW	5	4	.556
Polish Falcons	3	5	.375
Optimists Club	2	7	.222

LAST NIGHT'S RESULT

St. Mary's 17, VFW 448 3.

St. Mary's increased its lead in the National division of the Little-Bigger League by trouncing the VFW, 17-3, at Wahconah Park last night. Besse-Clarke upset Bill Sable's, league leaders, in the American division, 7-5, at Deming Field.

10 Markers in First

Rev. John Murphy's boys tallied 10 runs in the opening inning on seven hits, four bases on balls and two errors and went on to score a one-sided win over the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The winners added two more in the second, two in the third and three in the fifth. Bob Bennett and Pete Mitchell, with three hits each, led the attack. Bud Pellerin had two doubles in four trips to the plate and batted in four runs. Bob Mazzeo connected for a triple. Al Clayson, with a double and single, was outstanding for the losers.

The score:

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Lennon, 1b	5	1	1	4	0	0
Gregory, 2b	2	2	0	1	1	0
Bennett, 3b	4	3	3	1	0	0
Mitchell, c	3	3	3	8	1	0
LeClair, rf	2	1	1	1	1	0
Noguiera, cf	3	2	1	1	0	0
Mazzeo, p	2	2	1	0	3	0
Greenleaf, lf	3	2	0	1	0	0
Pellerin, ss	3	1	2	1	1	0
	27	17	12	18	7	0

VFW 448

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Rote, 2b	3	0	1	4	1	0
Clancy, lf, p	3	0	0	0	0	0
Tully, c, 3b	3	0	0	2	0	0
Clayson, cf, c, ss	2	2	2	1	0	0
Walsh, ss, cf	3	1	2	1	1	2
Denno, 3b, ss	3	0	2	3	0	1
Fulaski, p, 1b	2	0	0	1	0	0
Heidel, rf	2	0	0	2	0	0
McGill, 1b, p, lf	2	0	0	1	1	0
Balmer, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0
	23	3	7	15	3	3

St. Mary's ..... 1022 03 —17
VFW 448 ..... 021 000— 3

Runs batted in, Pellerin 4, Lennon 2, Mitchell 2, Bennett, Noguiera, Mazzeo, Denno 2, Heidel. Two-base hits, Pellerin 2, Clayson. Three-base hits, Mazzeo, Bennett. Stolen base, Mitchell. Left on bases, VFW 5, St. Mary's 5. Base on balls, off Mazzeo 2, VFW pitchers 10. Struck out, by Mazzeo 7, VFW pitchers 2. Hit by pitcher, by Mazzeo (Heidel). Balk, Fulaski. Winning pitcher, Bob Mazzeo. Losing pitcher, Pete Fulaski. Umpires, Troy and Garivaltis. Time, 1h, 45m.

Errors Proved Costly

Errors proved costly to Bill Sable's as the leaders bowed to Besse-Clarke, 7-5 for its third league setback. These teams have recently played two tie games. Leading the offensive for the Clothiers was Jack Carroll, who had two singles and two runs batted in. Dave Cohen and John Genezebella each connected for a triple. Don Perry excelled for the losers and connected for a home run. The score:

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Douglas, 2b	4	1	1	2	1	1
Cotten, lf	3	0	1	2	0	1
Genzebella, ss, p	4	1	0	4	3	2
Brindle, c	3	2	0	2	0	0
Venti, cf	2	0	0	0	0	1
Mendel, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carroll, 3b, ss	3	1	2	2	1	0
Walsh, 1b	3	0	1	8	0	0
Seigel, rf, 3b	4	2	1	1	1	0
Beals, p, rf	3	0	0	0	1	0
	29	7	6	21	7	5

BILL SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, p, 2b	3	0	2	0	2	0
McDonald, rf	1	1	1	0	0	0
Dellert, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Lee, cf	4	0	0	1	1	0
Gilson, 1b, p	4	0	1	9	1	0
Heidel, lf	2	1	0	2	0	0
Gilbert, c	4	0	0	3	1	3
Ferry, 2b, 1b	3	1	1	3	1	0
Gallagher, 3b	3	0	0	2	1	4
Starkey, ss	3	1	1	1	2	0
	30	5	6	21	9	7

Besse-Clarke ..... 210 010 3—7
Bill Sable's ..... 211 001 0—5

Runs batted in, Cohen 2, Venti, Carroll 2, Seigel, McCartney, Gibson, Perry. Three-base hit, Cohen. Home run, Perry. Stolen bases, Douglas, Cotten, Carroll, Walsh, Seigel, Beals, McCartney, Heidel. Sacrifice, Mendel. Left on bases, Bill Sable's 6, Besse-Clarke 10. Base on balls, off Beals 3, McCartney 6, Gilson 3. Struck out, by Beals 2, McCartney 3. Winning pitcher, Beals. Losing pitcher, McCartney. Umpires, Thompson and Gans. Time, 1h, 45m.

Grill Men Top Honiker's In 21-4 Battle

7/8/53

Stanley's Grill exploded for a 21-4 win over Honiker's Service Station, and the Postal AC topped Brady's Market, 8-4, in two Park Department Softball League games at Deming Field last night.

Art Gwinnell banged out five hits, including a homer and a triple, for Stanley's, and Dick Powers collected three hits. Bill Mangum and Frank DiAnggelis each had three safeties for the losers.

Fred Connors collected four hits and Harry Ricci got three as Postal AC held its lead in the league's national division. Ray Tart belted a homer for the winners and Doc Fisher had one for the losers.

The Eagles and E. D. Jones will play on diamond No. 2, and England Brothers and the GE Drafters will meet on diamond No. 3 in two games scheduled tonight at 6.30 at Deming Field.

Majestics Win League Opener

7/7/53

Jerry Kosecki Limits Dalton To Four Hits

DALTON — The newly-formed Berkshire County Junior Baseball League opened at Pine Grove Park last night with the Pittsfield Majestics defeating Dalton 6-1. Jerry Kosecki, former Ludlow High pitcher, limited the home team to four hits in the six-inning contest. Ray Meandro, Majestics' second baseman, led his club at bat with two hits.

Tommy Condron pitched for Dalton, and was touched for seven hits, all singles. Dale Hume hit well for the locals with two for three. One was a triple.

Kosecki and Condron each fanned 11 men.

The score:

MAJESTICS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Meandro, 2b	4	0	2	1	0	0
Traversa, 3b	4	1	1	3	0	0
L. Bossidy, lf	3	0	1	0	0	0
DiOrio, ss	3	0	1	0	3	0
T. Bossidy, 1b	2	1	0	1	0	0
Robarge, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Wuinee, cf	2	2	1	0	0	0
Donati, c	3	0	0	13	1	0
Kosecki, p	3	2	1	0	1	0
	27	6	7	18	5	0

DALTON

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Sherman, 2b	1	0	0	2	1	0
Hume, 3b	3	1	2	1	1	0
Griffin, 1b	2	0	0	2	0	0
Atwood, c	2	0	1	12	1	0
Callahan, cf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Gardner, ss	3	0	0	1	1	1
Leech, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Condron, p	3	0	1	0	1	0
Cullet, lf	2	0	0	0	0	2
	20	1	4	18	5	3

Majestics ..... 130 110—6
Dalton ..... 001 000—1

Three-base hit, Hume. Stolen base, DiOrio. Double play, Gardner to Sherman. Left on bases, Majestics 7, Dalton 10. Base on balls, off Condron 4, Kosecki 6. Struck out, by Condron 11, Kosecki 11. Hit by pitcher, by Kosecki (Cullet). Wild pitch, Condron. Umpires, Gorman and Thomas. Time, 1h, 40m.

Play Starts In East Little Minor League

7/8/53

Games Scheduled In Afternoons At Deming Field

Sponsors and coaches have been announced for the East Little Minor League, the new, four-team league for boys who were not picked for the regular Little League. The league began regular operations on June 30.

Brookshire Ford will sponsor two teams: The Brooks, coached by Richard Lee with John J. Nagle as adviser and the Shires, with Charles (Pep) Fasce Jr., as coach and James Tagliaferro as adviser. Crescent Creamery will sponsor the Onotas with Michael Tully as coach and Lewis Wesley as adviser. The Tire Distributors will sponsor the Hillies, with Robert Lee as coach and Robert Boyer as adviser. Pat A. Bruni, recreation supervisor for the Park Department, will act as general supervisor.

Each team is equipped with T shirts and caps. Rules and regulations are the same as in the regular Little League. The league's purpose is to provide supervised play for those who otherwise would miss out on the Little League play. All coaches are 15 and 16-year-old boys who have volunteered. Umpires are also picked by the boys, who run their own league except for advisory help from the Park Department and Gus D. Heye, who is the league's player-agent.

The league was set up and is being operated under the general direction of Lee, who picked the other coaches. Heye was also instrumental in its formation. The Park Department furnishes equipment for the umpires and some of the balls, in addition to maintaining the playing fields. All games are played at Deming at 1.30 with a four-inning limit. The Little League field at Deming is used.

The schedule for the next two weeks follow:

Tomorrow—Brooks vs Shires.
Friday—Onotas vs Hillies.
Saturday—Brooks vs Hillies.
Monday—Onotas vs Shires.
Tuesday—Onotas vs Brooks.
Wednesday—Shires vs Hillies.
Thursday—Brooks vs Shires.
Friday—Brooks vs Hillies.
Saturday—Onotas vs Shires.

Rams Win 14-0 in L.B. Loop

7/16/53

Dave Scholz Limits Jets To Two Hits

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Rams	6	3	.667
Bill Sable's	6	4	.600
Besse-Clarke	4	4	.500
Jets	4	7	.364

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Mary's	6	2	.750
VFW	5	4	.556
Polish Falcons	4	5	.446
Optimists' Club	2	8	.200

Behind the effective two-hit pitching of young Dave Scholz, the Rams pounded out a 14-0 triumph over the Jets at Deming Field last night in the only Little Bigger League game played.

The winners collected 14 safeties off pitchers Costanzo and Mole to score seven runs in the opening inning, five in the sixth and two more in the seventh.

Scholz was the all-around star of the game, for, aside from his work on the mound, he banged out the only extra-base hit—a triple. He drove in a pair of runs. Scholz, whirling up a combination of fast and curvy stuff, fanned 11 men while walking only three. The two Jets moundsmen combined to strike out five and walk eight.

A pair of double-headers will be played tomorrow. At Deming, the Rams will meet Bill Sable's in the first game, while Besse-Clarke andn the Jets play in the second. At Clapp, St. Mary's and the Optimists Club will battle in the first, and the V.F.W. will meet the Polish Falcons in the second.

The score:

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Monteleone, ss	4	3	1	1	1	0
Dougherty, lf	5	2	4	0	0	0
Gamberoni, cf	3	2	1	0	0	0
Reilly, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Scholz, p	5	1	4	0	2	0
Seeley, 3b	3	0	0	0	1	0
Clarke, rf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Rodhouse, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lee, 1b	2	1	1	6	0	0
Connolly, 1b	0	0	0	1	0	0
Radke, 2b	4	2	1	0	2	0
Pullero, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Heye, c	1	0	0	2	0	0
Manship, c	3	2	1	11	0	0
	34	14	14	21	6	0

JETS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bonacquisti, 3b	3	0	0	0	4	1
Butler, lf	1	0	0	1	0	2
Murphy, 2b	2	0	0	1	2	0
McLaughlin, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gable, c	2	0	0	9	2	1
Portieri, ss	2	0	1	1	2	1
*C. Gable	1	0	0	0	0	0
Costanzo, cf, p	2	0	0	0	0	0
Woodin, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Mole, p, lf	2	0	0	0	0	2
Procopio, 1b	2	0	0	1	0	0
McColgan, 1b	1	0	1	4	0	1
McKeever, 2b	2	0	0	1	2	0
	23	0	2	18	12	8

Rams ..... 700 005 2—14

*Struck out for Portieri in 7th.

Runs batted in, Dougherty 2, Scholz 2, Seeley, Clarke 2. Three-base hit, Scholz. Stolen bases, B. Gable, Portieri, Monteleone 2, Dougherty, Manship 2. Left on bases, Rams 9, Jets 2. Base on balls, off Mole 4, Costanzo 4, Scholz 3. Struck out, by Costanzo 5, Scholz 11. Hits, off Mole, 3 in 0 innings; Costanzo, 11 in 6. Winning pitcher, Dave Scholz. Losing pitcher, Joe Mole. Umpires, Thompson and Knox. Time, 1h, 45m.

Majestics Top Lenox

7/10/53

Bobby Traversa Leads Winners To 5-3 Victory

The Pittsfield Majestics scored their second consecutive victory in the newly-formed Berkshire County Junior League with a 5-3 triumph over Gregory's Market at Lenox on the Common last night.

Bobby Traversa, making his debut on the mound for the Majestics, pitched effectively and drove in the first run in the second inning with a booming double.

Lenox scored twice in the first to go out front, but the Majestics went ahead with two runs in the third on singles by Denny Cohen and Dick DiOrio.

The Majestics will meet the Pittsfield Independents and Lenox will oppose Lee in two league games Monday.

The line score:

				R.	H.
Majestics	012	101		5	6
Gregory's	200	100	0	3	7

Carey and Weiss; Traversa and Donati.

Grill Men Top Ricchi's In Park Loop

7/14/53

Stanley's Grill upset powerful Ricchi's Sunoco, 4-2, in the only Park Department game played last night. A contest between the Postal AC and Richman Club was postponed.

Jimmy Farry yielded only three hits to Ricchi's as Stanley's moved into first place in the league's American division. Farry had a no-hitter going into the final inning. Dickie Powers led the grill men at the plate with three safeties. Ted Martin gave up only six hits for the losers.

Ricchi's and Honiker's Service Station will play on diamond No. 3 at Deming Field in the only game scheduled tonight. Play will start at 6.30.

Hillies Beat Onotas 29-9 In Minor Loop

7/13/53

EAST MINOR LEAGUE STANDING

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Hillies	5	0	1.000
Brooks	3	2	.600
Shires	1	4	.200
Onotas	1	4	.200

The league-leading Hillies, exploding for 14 hits, walloped the last-place Onotas, 29-9, in an East Minor League game Friday night. Bobby Maloy drove in six runs with a pair of booming triples. Verne Viale collected five hits for the winners.

Johnny Farrell hurled three inning of no-hit relief ball to help the Hillies rack up their fifth consecutive victory against no defeats.

The line score:

				R.	H.	E.
Hillies	508	16—	29	14	1
Onotas	900	0—	9	5	3

Knollmeyer, Farrell and Roberts; Sullivan, Seeman, Reynolds and Lipperi.

Four Teams Earn Victories In LBL Double-Headers

7/13/53

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	7	4	.636
Rams	6	4	.600
Besse-Clarke	4	5	.444
Jets	5	7	.417

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Mary's	8	2	.800
VFW 448	7	4	.636
Polish Falcons	4	7	.364
Optimists	2	10	.167

League-leading Bill Sable's shut out the Rams, 8-0, and the Jets stopped Besse-Clarke, 7-2, in two American division Little Bigger League contests at Deming Field Saturday afternoon.

St. Mary's throttled the Optimists Club 8-0, and the VFW downed the Polish Falcons, 14-9, in a pair of National division games at Clapp Park.

Sable's Don Perry held the Rams to three hits. The winners collected nine safeties to score three times in the first, twice in the third and three more times in the sixth.

Center-fielder Dick Lee aided Sable's attack with a triple to drive in a pair of runs. Perry, working efficiently on the mound, racked up his fifth straight victory.

The Jets, meanwhile, belted 10 hits off Besse-Clarke pitching to score four times in the fourth, once in the fifth and twice in the seventh. Red Plouffe banged out a triple. Joe Mole limited the opposition to a pair of hits. Besse-Clarke's two runs came in the fifth and sixth.

St. Mary's Joe Basiliere hurled no-hit ball as his teammates racked up 11 hits to score once in the first, five times in the third and twice in the sixth. Bobby Bennett homered with the bases loaded.

The VFW banged out 15 hits off Polish Falcons' pitching. A 10-run splurge in the fifth put the contest on ice. Center-fielder Al Clayson homered and Mike Tully banged out a pair of doubles. The Falcons collected six safeties and scored twice in the third, once in the fifth and six times in the sixth.

The scores:

BILL SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, 2b	1	2	0	3	2	0
a-Phillips	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gallagher, 3b	2	0	0	0	2	0
Dellert, 3b	1	1	0	0	0	0
Lee, cf	4	3	4	1	0	0
Heidel, lf	3	2	2	1	0	0
Gilbert, c	4	0	1	11	0	0
Perry, p	4	0	2	1	2	0
Tuggey, rf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Starkey, ss	3	0	0	0	0	0
Stanton, 1b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gilson, 1b	3	0	0	4	1	2
	31	8	9	21	7	2

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Monteleone,, ss, 3b	3	0	1	1	4	3
Dougherty, rf ss	4	0	0	0	0	1
Gamberoni, cf	3	0	0	1	1	1
Manship, c	2	0	0	5	2	1
Seeley, 3b	0	0	0	1	0	0
Clark, 2b	0	0	0	0	1	0
Scholz, lf	4	0	1	2	0	0
G. Lee, 1b, rf	4	0	1	10	1	1
Radke, 2b, ss, p	2	0	0	0	3	0
Connolly, p, 1b	0	0	0	1	3	2
	22	0	3	21	15	9

Bill Sable's	302	003	0—8
Rams	000	000	0—0

a—Struck out for McCartney in 7th.

Runs batted in, Dick Lee 2, Gilbert, Perry, Tuggey. Three-base hit, Dick Lee. Stolen base, Scholz. Double play, Perry, Gallagher, McCartney to Gilson. Left on bases, Bill Sable's 9, Rams 14. Base on balls, off Perry 9, Connolly 5. Struck out, by Perry 10, Radke 2, Connolly 4. Hits, off Connolly, 9 in 6 innings; Radke, 0 in 1. Hit by pitcher, by Perry (Seeley 2, Gamberoni); Connolly (McCartney, Gallagher). Winning pitcher, Don Perry. Losing pitcher, Eddie Connolly. Umpires, Thompson and Bruni. Time, 2h.

JETS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bonacquisti, 3b	3	0	1	2	2	3
McKeever, 2b	4	1	2	3	6	0
Costanzo, cf	2	2	0	1	0	0
Plouffe, lf	4	2	2	0	0	0
Portieri, ss	4	1	2	0	1	1
Woodin, rf	3	1	1	1	0	0
Mole, p	3	0	1	1	0	0
McColgan, c	3	0	1	5	4	0
Procopio, 1b	2	0	0	7	0	1
Butler, 1b	1	0	0	1	0	0
Murphy, 1b	0	0	0	0	0	0
	29	7	10	21	7	5

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Douglas, 2b	3	0	0	0	1	1
Cohen, p	4	0	0	0	1	0
Genzabella, ss	3	1	0	1	1	1
Brindle, c	3	0	0	9	1	0
Venti, cf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Schmnzel, lf	3	0	1	1	0	0
Carroll, 3b	2	0	0	3	0	0
Walsh, 1b	2	1	0	5	0	1
Seigel, rf	2	0	1	1	0	0
	24	2	2	21	4	3

Jets	000	410	2—7
Besse-Clarke	000	011	0—2

Runs batted in, Seigel, Portieri 3, Plouffe 2, Woodin. Two-base hits, Seigel, Portieri. Three-base hit, Plouffe. Stolen bases, Bonacquisti, Costanzo, Plouffe, Portieri 2, Mole, Procopio, Douglas, Schmnzel, Brindle, Genzabella, Carroll. Left on bases, Jets 8, Besse-Clarke 5. Base on balls, off Mole 3, Cohen 5. Struck out, by Mole 7, Cohen 8. Hit by pitcher, by Mole, Carroll, Cohen, Procopio. Winning pitcher, Mole. Losing pitcher, Cohen. Umpires, Bruni and Thompson. Time, 2h.

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Nogueira, cf	4	2	1	0	0	0
Gregory, 2b	4	2	3	1	2	0
Bennett, 3b	3	2	1	3	2	0
Mitchell, c	2	1	1	5	1	0
Viner, 1b	2	0	0	6	0	0
LeClair, rf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Mazzeo, lf	2	0	1	1	0	0
Greenleaf, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ormsbee, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Basilieri, p	4	0	1	0	0	0
Lennon, 1b, c	3	0	1	5	0	0
Hebler, ss	2	1	1	0	0	1
Pires, ss	1	0	0	0	0	0
	33	8	11	21	5	1

OPTNMISTS' CLUB

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bigelow, 2b	4	0	0	4	1	0
DelGallo, ss	3	0	0	1	5	1
Lake, 3b	2	0	0	0	0	1
Prentice, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Navin, 1b	1	0	0	6	0	0
Dwyer, cf	2	0	0	4	0	0
Spadafora, lf, 3b	3	0	0	1	2	0
Handy, rf, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Robarge, c	2	0	0	4	0	0
Pansecchi, p	2	0	0	1	1	1
	22	0	0	21	9	3

St. Mary's	105	002	0—8

Runs batted in, Bennett 3, Gregory, Mitchell, LeClair, Mazzeo, Lennon. Two-base hit, Mazzeo. Home run, Bennett. Stolen bases, Navin, Handy, Robarge, Mitchell. Double play, Gregory to Viner. Left on bases, Optimists' Club 6, St. Mary's 5. Base on balls, off Basiliere 5, Pansecchi 1. Struck out, by Basiliere 10, Pansecchi 4. Hit by pitcher, by Basiliere (Handy). Winning pitcher, Basiliere. Losing pitcher, Pansecchi. Umpires, Knox and Gans. Time, 1h, 40m.

VFW 448

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Clancy, rf	4	1	0	0	0	0
Denno, ss	4	4	3	3	4	1
Tully, c	5	2	3	2	1	1
Clayson, cf	4	3	3	2	0	0
Walsh, 3b, 2b	5	1	2	2	2	1
Heidel, lf	4	1	0	2	0	0
McGill, 1b	4	0	1	8	0	0
Rote, 2b, 3b	4	1	2	1	5	0
Pulaski, p	3	1	1	1	1	0
	37	14	15	21	13	2

POLISH FALCONS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
DiCroce, 2b	1	2	0	3	2	0
Kelly, 2b	1	1	0	0	0	0
Shea, lf	4	1	3	0	1	1
Goodrich, p, rf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Powers, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Quadrozzi, 3b	4	0	1	1	6	0
Bruno, c	4	0	1	5	0	0
Burke, ss	2	0	0	0	1	1
Ouellette, ss	1	1	0	2	1	0
Canzano, cf	2	1	0	1	0	1
Heinhold, 1b	1	1	0	8	0	1
Graham, 1b	0	1	0	0	0	0
Sadlowski, rf	1	0	0	0	1	0
Hyland, p	2	1	1	1	0	0
	27	9	6	21	12	4

VFW 448	201	0100	1—14
Polish Falcons	002	0 16	0— 9

Runs batted in, Shea 2, Kelly, DiCroce, Goodrich, Hyland, Clancy, Denno 2, Tully 2, Clayson 2, Walsh 3. Two-base hits,

VFW Defeats Stockbridge Scouts, 7 to 2

7/14/53

The Pittsfield Veterans of Foreign Wars tallied four runs in the opening inning, and went on to score a 7-2 victory over the Stockbridge Scouts at Stockbridge yesterday. The local Little-Bigger League team collected nine hits from Lawton and Locke. Mike Tully and Al Clayson led the attack for the winners. Tully had three for four, Clayson two for three, including a home run.

Tully, on the mound for the locals, allowed only four hits.

The score:

VFW 448

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pulaski, 2b	3	0	0	0	3	0
McKeever, 2b	0	0	0	1	1	0
Denno, ss	2	2	1	1	1	0
Tully, p	4	2	3	0	4	0
Clayson, c	3	2	2	5	1	0
Walsh, cf	4	1	1	1	1	0
Bresnahan, 1b	3	0	1	6	0	0
McGill, 1b	0	0	0	2	0	0
Heidel, lf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Rote, 3b	3	0	0	2	0	0
Clancy, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
	27	7	9	18	11	0

STOCKBRIDGE SCOUTS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Wilkins, c	3	1	0	6	0	1
Locke, ss, p, 2b	2	1	1	0	0	1
Bodner, 3b	1	0	1	1	1	0
Noble, cf, rf	3	0	0	0	0	1
Rathbun, 1b	3	0	0	6	0	0
Williamson, lf	3	0	1	2	0	0
Sparks, p, cf	3	0	0	0	1	0
Zirkle, 2b	1	0	0	2	1	0
Lawton, p	1	0	1	0	0	0
Stewart, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Soules, ss	0	0	0	1	0	0
Brown, ss	1	0	0	0	0	0
	21	2	4	18	6	3

VFW 448	421	000	—7
Stockbridge Scouts	100	010	—2

Runs batted in, Tully 2, Clayson 2, Heidel 2, Wilkins. Two-base hits, Tully, Clayson. Three-base hit, Tully. Home run, Clayson. Stolen bases, Denno 2, Tully 2, Walsh, Wilkins, Brown. Double play, Zirkle to Rathbun. Left on bases, VFW 10, Stockbridge 9. Base on balls, off Tully 6, Locke 6. Struck out, by Tully 5, Sparks 1, Locke 1, Lawton 3. Hits, off Sparks, 4 in 1-3 inning; Locks, 4 in 4 2-3; Lawton, 1 in 1. Hit by pitcher, by Locke (Bresnahan); Tully (Brown). Winning pitcher, Tully. Losing pitcher, Sparks. Umpires, Kickery and Stearns. Time, 2h.

Lenox Beats Lee 3-2 in Junior League

LENOX — Behind the four-hit pitching of Ed Carey, Lenox was a 3-2 winner over Lee in a Berkshire County Junior League game here last night.

Lenox got eight hits off Lee pitcher Eddie Thomas, including a double and a single by Carey and a double by Dave Sullivan. Dick Lampron accounted for two singles. Lenox RBIs were credited to Dick Whalen and Dick O'Brien.

Lee's four hits were distributed among four players, with Thomas making a double. Lee played errorless ball. Lenox was charged with three.

The line score:

Lenox	010	020	—3
Lee	010	010	0—2

L.B. League Plans Tourney Here July 25-26

7/15/53

The Little Bigger League Baseball League will have its sectional tournament at Wahconah Park Saturday and Sunday, July 25 and 26, Bill Sable, chairman of the event, announced today.

A double-header is listed for the first day. Pittsfield's No. 1 League will oppose the Adams League at 1 PM, and Pittsfield's No. 2 League will face the North Adams League in the second game. The championship contest between the winners will be played the following afternoon at 2.

The tournament champion will represent the section in advanced play.

Richard O'Brien of North Adams and Roger Rivers of Adams are assisting Sable.

VFW Blanks Jets, 19-0 In L.B. Loop

7/15/53

Rams Defeat Optimists Club In Other Game

The VFW, behind the clever four-hit pitching of John Bresnahan, shut out the Jets, 19-0, at Wahconah Park, while the Rams topped the Optimists Club, 5-2, at Deming Field in two Little-Bigger Baseball League games last night.

Bresnahan, Mike Tully, Al Clayson and Bill Walsh all connected for triples to pace the VFW in scoring once in the second, twice in the third, four times in the fifth, eight times in the fifth and four more times in the sixth. Bresnahan struck out five hitters and walked the same number. Fran Costanzo, who went the distance for the Jets, fanned two and walked two.

The Rams, meanwhile, exploded for three tallies in the first and went on to score once more in both the third and the fifth. The Optimists scored single runs in the first, sixth and seventh.

Al Radke of the Rams struck out six men and walked three. The two Optimists' pitchers, Pansecchi and Brown, together fanned four and walked eight.

The VFW will meet Bill Sable's at Deming, and St. Mary's will oppose the Rams at Clapp Park, in two games scheduled tonight.

The scores:

VFW 448

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pulaski, 1b	4	2	3	6	0	0
McGill, 1b	1	0	1	2	0	0
Denno, ss	5	4	2	2	2	1
Tully, c	5	3	4	4	1	0
Clayson, cf	5	2	4	1	1	0
Walsh, 3b	5	2	2	0	2	0
Heidel, lf	4	1	1	0	0	0
Balmer, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bresnahan, p	5	2	3	4	2	0
Clancy, rf	3	2	0	0	0	0
Pansecchi, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rote, 2b	2	1	0	2	0	0
Burzamati, 2b	2	1	0	2	0	0
	41	19	20	21	8	1

JETS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bonacquisti, 3b	4	0	0	4	2	1
McKeever, 1b	3	0	0	1	1	0
C. Gable, 2b	0	0	0	1	0	0
Costanzo, p, cf	3	0	1	0	1	0
Plouffe, lf	3	0	1	0	0	0
R. Gable, c	3	0	1	2	1	1
Portieri, ss	3	0	1	1	2	1
Woodin, rf	0	0	0	0	0	1
McLaughlin, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mole, cf, p	3	0	0	2	1	0
McColgan, 1b	0	0	0	4	0	1
a-Murphy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Procopio, 1b	1	0	0	3	1	0
	24	0	4	18	9	5

VFW	012	484	—19

a—Walked for McColgan in 5th.

Runs batted in, Pulaski, Denno, Tully 3, Clayson 4, Walsh, Balmer, Bresnahan, Clancy. Three-base hits, Bresnahan 2, Tully, Clayson, Walsh. Stolen bases, Bonacquisti, Plouffe, Gable, Pulaski, Denno. Double play, Pulaski, unassisted. Left on bases, VFW 6, Jets 8. Base on balls, off Constanza 2, Bresnahan 5. Struck out, by Constanzo 2, Bresnahan 3. Hits, off Costanzo, 20 in 5 2-3 innings; Mole, 0 in 1-3. Winning pitcher, Bresnahan. Losing pitcher, Costanzo. Umpires, Garivaltis and Holden. Time, 1h, 50m.

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Connolly, rf, lf	2	1	0	1	0	0
Dougherty, 3b	3	2	1	1	0	0
Gamberoni, cf	4	0	1	3	0	0
Manship, c	4	0	0	8	2	0
Scholz, lf	1	2	0	2	0	0
Monteleone, ss	1	0	1	0	1	0
Heye, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lee, 1b	3	0	2	5	0	0
Pullano, 2b	1	0	0	0	1	1
Clark, 2b	2	0	0	1	0	0
Radke, p	1	0	0	0	2	0
	22	5	5	21	6	1

OPTIMISTS' CLUB

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Brown, p	1	1	0	1	1	0
Pansecchi, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
a-Spadafora	1	0	1	0	0	0
Dwyer, cf	3	0	2	3	0	0
Robarge, c	3	0	1	7	1	0
Lake, ss	3	0	1	1	1	0
Handy, lf	3	0	1	1	1	0
Bigelow, 2b	3	0	0	1	0	2
DelGallo, 3b	2	0	0	1	1	0
Prentiss, 1b	1	0	0	0	1	0
Hoctor, 1b	2	0	0	3	0	0
Vollinger, rf	3	1	1	0	0	0
	25	2	7	18	6	2

Rams	301	010	—5
Optimists' Club	100	001	1—3

a—Singled for Pansecchi in 7th.

Runs batted in, Monteleone 2, Lee, Dwyer, Robarge, Handy. Two-base hit, Dwyer. Stolen bases, Brown, Spadafora, Connolly, Dougherty, Gamberoni. Double play, Radke, Manship to Lee. Left on bases, Optimists' Club 6, Rams 8. Base on balls, off Radke 3, Brown 8. Struck out, by Radke 6, Pansecchi 1, Brown 3. Hit by pitcher, by Brown (Monteleone); Radke (Robarge). Winning pitcher, Radke. Losing pitcher, Brown. Umpires, Thompson and Gans. Time, 1h, 25m.

Majestics Win, 14-2

7/15/53

Meandro Limits Independents to Only Three Hits

The Pittsfield Majestics downed the Pittsfield Independents, 14-2, at Clapp Park Monday night to breeze to their third consecutive victory in the newly-formed Berkshire County Junior Baseball League.

Ray Meandro, former star Pittsfield High pitcher, limited the Independents to three hits—a pair of singles by Don Sheran and a triple by Herbie Evans. Meandro fanned eight batters and walked five men in an abbreviated contest called at the end of five innings because of darkness.

The Majestics put the game on ice in the second with seven runs on eight hits. Bobby Traversa, with three hits, paced the Majestics' 16-hit attack against pitchers Bobby Tart and Joe Spadafora.

The line score:

			R.	H.	E.
Majestics	170	24—14	16	2	
Independents	001	01— 2	3	2	

Meandro and Barlow; Tart, Spadafora and Gallagher.

Brady's Tops E. D. Jones in Park League

Brady's Market defeated E. D. Jones, 10-7, and Honiker's Service Station topped the GE Drafters, 19-6, in two Park Department Softball League games at Deming Field last night.

In contests Monday night, the Postal AC downed the Richman Club, 11-8, and the Eagles edged E. D. Jones, 2-1.

Doc Fisher homered and singled to lead the Brady's attack last night. Bill Jakacky went the route for the winners, allowing nine hits and collecting two himself. Armond Bordeau homered for E. D. Jones.

Spanky O'Hearn and Tommy Murphy paced Honiker's 20-hit attack with four safeties each. Don Crawford yielded only four hits to the Drafters, two of them to Chuck Jones.

Harry Ricchi doubled twice and tripled once Monday night to lead the Postal AC to its victory. Ed Morowski homered and tripled also for the winners. The Postmen came up with a pair of thrilling double plays to halt two Richman rallies. Art Phelps starred at the plate for the losers.

The Eagles-E. D. Jones contest, turned into a tight pitching duel between Bobby Enright and Bill Marlowe. Mario Tassineri with two singles, and Ed Cooke with a triple led the winners at bat.

Richman Club and the Eagles Club will play on Diamond No. 2, while Honiker's Service Station will meet England Brothers on diamond No. 3 in two games scheduled at Deming tonight at 6.30.

Browns To Have A Tryout Camp Here Saturday

The St. Louis Browns will have a tryout camp at Wahconah Park Saturday from 10 AM to 4 PM. All interested young men up to 25 years of age will be welcome.

It will be the second major league operation here this summer. The Milwaukee Braves conducted a two-day school several weeks ago.

George Lippe of Brooklyn, N.Y., Eastern scout for the Browns, will be in charge. Pat Bruni of the Parks and Recreation Department is in charge of arrangements.

Eagles Trim Richman Club In Park Loop

The Eagles, paced by Bobby Enright's performance on the mound and at the plate, downed the Richman Club, 18-7, in the only Park Department Softball League game at Deming Field last night.

Enright collected three safeties, including a booming home run. His tricky mound offerings kept the opposition from threatening. Ham Enright and Ed Cooke also collected three hits apiece to add to the Eagles' total to 19. Sam DePasquale homered for the winners.

Paul Pierce and Ed Banjamin belted three hits each for the losers.

E. D. Jones and the Postal AC will meet on Deming's diamond No. 2 at 6.30 tonight in the only game scheduled.

Ricchi's Wins Again

Defending champion Ricchi's Sunoco edged Brady's Market, 4-3, in a rescheduled Park Department Softball League game at Deming Field yesterday afternoon.

The winning run scored in the 10th on Bob Phillip's bunt single and Dick Gilardi's long double to deep center.

Ricchi's originally was slated to meet the Dean Street Cafe of Adams in an exhibition contest yesterday, but the previously rained out tilt with Brady's was scheduled at the last minute. It marked the 13th straight victory for Ricchi's.

Ted Martin racked up his eighth victory of the season.

Ricchi's next league contest will be against Stanley's Grill at Deming Field Thursday evening at 6.30.

Besse-Clarke Tops Falcons In 22-1 Game

Sable's Defeats St. Mary's, 8-4, In L.B. League

Besse-Clarke, behind the effective two-hit pitching of Dave Cohen, exploded with an 18 hit barrage to throttle the Polish Falcons, 22-1, in a Little Bigger League tilt at Deming Field last night.

And Bill Sable's in a hard-fought game at Clapp Park, downed St. Mary's, 8-4.

Besse-Clarke, on a lucrative base-stealing spree, remained scoreless in the first two innings, but cut loose with 13 runs in the third to break the contest open at its seams. The winners made life more miserable for the Falcons by adding five more runs in the fourth, three in the fifth and another in the sixth to their total.

Cohen worked splendidly from start to finish for Besse-Clarke, striking out nine batters and walking only five. Two Falcons' pitchers fanned seven men and allowed nine batters to reach base on walks.

Johnny Genzabella knocked the biggest blow of the night for Besse-Clarke, a booming triple to deep right field. Jack Carroll also doubled for the winners.

High light of the Sable's-St. Mary's contest was the good hurling of little Don Perry, who struck out 10 men and walked nine. St. Mary's employed three moundsmen, who fanned three and walked 11.

Sable's collected five hits to score once in the first, once in the second, once in the fourth, twice in the fifth and three times in the sixth. Perry limited St. Mary's to a pair of hits. The losers scored twice in the first an dsingle runs in the third and fourth.

The scores:

POLISH FALCONS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
DiCroce, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Powers, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Graham, 2b	2	0	0	1	0	1
Bruno, c	3	0	0	7	0	0
Quadrozzi, p, 3b	1	0	1	1	1	1
Sadlowski, 3b	1	1	0	0	0	0
Canzano, lf	3	0	1	1	0	2
Shea, 3b, ss	1	0	0	3	1	0
Ouellette, ss, cf	2	0	0	3	1	3
Kelly, 2b	0	0	0	0	1	0
Reinhold, 1b	2	0	0	2	0	0
Hyland, cf, p	1	0	0	0	1	0
	18	1	2	18	5	7

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Douglas, 2b	3	1	1	3	0	0
Killackey, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Schmaizel, lf	4	2	2	0	0	0
Cohen, p	5	4	4	0	4	0
Genzebella, ss	4	3	2	3	0	0
Brindle, c	5	3	3	9	1	0
Venti, cf	2	4	1	0	0	0
Carroll, rf	3	2	2	0	0	0
Mendel, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Walsh, 1b	4	1	1	3	0	1
Kozaka, 1b	0	1	0	0	0	0
Seigel, 3b	3	1	2	0	0	0
Griffin, 3b	0	0	0	0	0	0
	35	22	18	18	5	1

Besse-Clarke ..... 0013 531—22
Polish Falcons ..... 00 0 100— 1

Runs batted in, Canzano, Douglas, Cohen, Genzebella 3, Brindle 3, Venti 2, Carroll 3, Walsh 2, Seigel 2. Two-base hit, Carroll. Three-base hit, Genzebella. Stolen bases, Quadrozzi, Cohen, Genzebella 2, Brindle 3, Seigel, Venti, Douglas. Left on bases, Polish Falcons 4, Besse-Clarke 9. Base on balls, off Cohen 5, Falcon pitchers 9. Struck out, by Cohen 9, Falcon pitchers 7. Hit by pitcher, by Hyland (Schmaizel, Quadrozzi, Venti). Winning pitcher, Cohen. Losing pitcher, Quadrozzi. Umpires, Holden and Knox. Time, 2h.

BILL SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, 2b	1	2	0	1	0	0
Starkey, ss	4	1	0	0	0	1
Lee, cf	4	1	1	5	1	0
Gilson, 1b	3	1	0	5	0	0
Heidel, lf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Perry, p	2	2	1	1	2	1
Gilbert, c	3	0	1	9	1	2
Gallagher, 3b	2	0	0	0	1	0
Tuggey, rf	3	0	1	0	0	0
	25	8	5	21	4	4

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Nogueira, cf	2	2	0	2	0	0
Gregory, 2b	2	2	2	1	2	0
Bennett, 3b, p	3	0	0	0	2	0
LeClair, lf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Mazzeo, 1b, cf	4	0	0	4	0	0
Greenleaf, rf	3	0	0	3	0	1
Lennon, c	3	0	0	4	2	0
Hebler, ss	1	0	0	1	0	1
Pires, ss	1	0	0	1	0	0
Basiliere, p, 1b	2	0	0	1	2	0
	23	4	3	18	8	2

Bill Sable's ..... 110 123 —8
St. Mary's ..... 201 000—4

Runs batted in, Heidel 2, Gilbert 2, Tugger 2, Lee, Perry, Gregory. Two-base hit, Gregory. Stolen bases, McCartney, Lee, Perry, Gilbert 2, Nogueira 2, LeClair 2, Mazzeo. Sacrifice, Gregory. Double play, Nogueira (unassisted). Left on bases, Bill Sable's 10, St. Mary's 8. Base on balls, off Perry 9, Basilieri 6, Bennett 5. Struck out, by Perry 10, Basilieri 1, Bennett 1, Nogueira 1. Hits, off Basiliere, 1 in 3 innings; Bennett, 4 in 2 1-3; Nogueira, 0 in 2-3. Balk, Perry. Winning pitcher, Perry. Losing pitcher, Bennett. Umpires, Troy and Turner. Time, 2h, 15m.

LITTLE LEAGUE LEADERS: Berkshire County Little League officials make plans for the coming district championship tournament. Meeting at the Berkshire Restaurant last night were: Front row, Matthew Jacoby, president of the Pittsfield West League, Francis Nichols, president of the Pittsfield North League, James O'Brien, president of the Pittsfield East League, and Clement M. Farrell, tournament chairman; back row, Thomas Connolly, president of the Lee League, Raymond Goodrich, area director, Bob Boyer, coach of the Pittsfield East entry, Archer J. (Chick) Scarafoni, chairman of the program in Pittsfield, and Charles Larkin, president of the Great Barrington League.

St. Mary's Tops Jets In 22-0 Game

Bill Sable's Defeats VFW In L.B. League

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	9	4	.692
Rams	7	4	.636
Besse-Clarke	5	5	.500
Jets	5	9	.357

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Mary's	9	3	.750
VFW	8	5	.615
Polish Falcons	4	8	.333
Optimists Club	2	11	.154

National division-leader St. Mary's, behind the combined two-hit pitching of Charles (Butch) LeClair and Benny Nogueira, walloped the Jets, 22-0, at Clapp Park, while powerful Bill Sable's, in a hard-fought, heavy-hitting battle, defeated the VFW, 9-7, at Deming Field, in a pair of Little Bigger League games last night.

LeClair and Nogueira together struck out six batters and walked five as St. Mary's banged out 21 hits to score in all but one inning.

Nogueira and center-fielder Bobby Mazzeo hit homers to pace the St. Mary's slugging attack. Catcher Bobby Bennett tripled, while Phil Gregory and LeClair doubled. Bennett hit safely four out of six times at bat.

Sable's Chris Gilson fanned five men and walked six, while the VFW's Jimmy Walsh bore down to strike out 10 and walk four. Gilson and Mike Tully of the losers were credited with the only extra-base clouts—doubles.

The scores:

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	3	1	1	0	1	0
Hebler, ss	1	1	0	0	3	0
Gregory, 2b	6	2	3	3	2	0
Bennett, 3b, c	6	3	4	2	0	0
LeClair, lf, p	5	3	2	0	0	0
Nogueira, p, cf	3	5	2	0	1	0
Mazzeo, cf	2	3	2	3	0	0
Bagiliere, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lennon, c	3	1	2	4	1	0
Pires, 3b	2	1	1	0	1	0
Viner, 1b	4	1	2	3	1	1
Greenleaf, rf	4	0	1	1	0	0
Ormsbee, rf	1	1	1	0	0	0
	41	22	21	18	9	1

JETS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bonacquisti, 3b	1	0	1	1	0	2
McKeever, 2b, cf	2	0	0	1	1	0
McLaughlin, cf	0	0	0	1	0	0
Costanzo, lf, 3b	3	0	0	0	1	0
Plouffe, ss, lf	3	0	1	3	1	0
B Gable, c, ss	3	0	0	2	2	0
Procopio, 1b	3	0	0	2	2	0
Procopio, 1b	0	0	0	3	0	0
McColgan, 1b, c	3	0	0	6	0	1
Butler, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Murphy, 2b	1	0	0	1	2	0
Mole, p, 1b	3	0	0	0	2	1
Woodin, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
C. Gable, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
	21	0	2	18	9	4

St. Mary's ..... 360 328—22

Runs batted in, Pellerin, Gregory 3, Bennett, LeClair 3, Nogueira 3, Mazzeo 2, Lennon 2, Pires, Viner 3, Ormsbee. Two-base hits, Gregory, LeClair. Three-base hit, Bennett. Home runs, Nogueira, Mazzeo. Left on bases, St. Mary's 8, Jets 8. Base on balls, off Mole 7, Bonacquisti 1, Nogueira 3, LeClair 2. Struck out, by Nogueira 4, LeClair 2, Mole 1, Bonacquisti 1. Hits, off Mole, 14 in 5 innings; Bonacquisti, 7 in 1; Nogueira, 2 in 4; LeClair, 0 in 2. Hit by pitcher, by Mole (Viner). Winning pitcher, Nogueira. Losing pitcher, Mole. Umpires, Turner and Troy. Time, 1h, 45m.

BILL SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, 2b	4	1	2	0	1	1
Gallagher, 3b	3	1	0	2	0	2
Lee, cf	3	1	1	1	0	0
Gilson, p	4	2	3	1	0	1
R. Heidel, lf	4	1	1	0	0	0
Perry, 1b	4	1	2	8	0	0
McDonald, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tuggey, rf	4	0	1	1	0	0
Gilbert, c	2	1	0	5	1	3
Starkey, ss	3	1	1	3	2	0
	31	9	11	21	4	7

VFW 448

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pulaski, 2b	3	0	0	2	1	0
Denno, ss	2	2	0	0	1	0
Tully, c	4	2	2	10	0	1
Clayson, cf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Walsh, p	3	1	2	0	1	1
Bresnahan, 1b	3	0	1	3	0	2
Heidel, lf	4	0	1	1	0	0
Clancy, rf	3	1	1	2	0	0
Rote, 3b	3	1	1	0	1	0
	28	7	8	18	4	4

Bill Sable's ..... 021 006 —9
VFW 448 ..... 100 032 0—7

Runs batted in, Walsh 2, Clayson, R. Heidel, Gilbert, Lee 2, Gilson. Two-base hits, Gilson 2, Tully. Stolen bases, Denno, Tully, Clayson, Walsh, Bresnahan, C. Heidel, Gilson. Left on bases, Sable's 9, VFW 11. Base on balls, off Gilson 6, Walsh 1. Struck out, by Gilson 5, Walsh 10. Winning pitcher, Gilson. Losing pitcher, Walsh. Umpires, Thompson and Garivaltis. Time, 2h.

Stanley's Grill Is Defeated in Tourney Game

WESTFIELD—Stanley's Grill of Pittsfield was eliminated from the Massachusetts amateur softball championship tournament here in the quarter-final round last night, when it bowed to the Strathmore Paper Company of West Springfield 7-5 in 10 innings. A pass, a hit batsman and two singles brought the deciding margin in the top of the third extra round.

Jimmy Farry pitched the first five innings for Stanley's, and left with the score tied at 5-all. Dick Winston succeeded him, and threw shut-out ball until the 10th.

Art Gwinnell led Stanley's offensive with a double and a single.

Browns' Tryouts Tomorrow at 10

The St. Louis Browns will conduct a tryout camp at Wahconah Park tomorrow from 10 AM to 4 PM. George Lepp of Brooklyn, N.Y., Eastern scout for the American League club, will be in charge.

All young men up to 25 years of age will be welcome. Contracts will be offered to any who impress Lepp. Candidates should bring their own equipment. The Browns will furnish bats, balls and catching material.

Postal AC Scores Win In Park Loop

The powerful Postal AC stopped E. D. Jones, 12-6, in a Park Department Softball game at Deming Field last night. The winners had to come from behind with four runs in the final two innings.

Ed Bercury not only pitched well for the postmen, but also paced the offensive attack with three hits. Don Boyd also collected three and Fred Connor rapped a home run. John Skowron and Armond Bordeau each hit three times for E. D. Jones.

Shrewsbury L.B.L. Squads Win Twin Bill at Wahconah

Shrewsbury Little Bigger Leaguers, appearing at Wahconah Park yesterday in a benefit exhibition, swept both ends of a double-header against combined Berkshire County opposition.

In the first game, Shrewsbury defeated the Adams-North Adams Little Bigger League team, 5-3, and in the second, the visitors downed a Pittsfield-Great Barrington combination, 7-6.

Roger Bourget started and finished for the winners in the opener and hurled near-perfect ball as he held the opposition to only two safeties. He fanned five men and walked six. Bourget also paced the offensive attack with a triple—one of five hits off the two losing pitchers—as Shrewsbury scored once in the fifth and exploded for four runs in the sixth.

The losers used 19 men in an effort to stop Shrewsbury, but could only score twice in the fourth and once more in the sixth.

In the second contest, Shrewsbury's No. 2 team pounded out three runs in the first innings, added another in the second and finished with three more in the fifth.

Limited to Five Hits

Shrewsbury's Bobby Whittier and Ronnie Mitchell limited the Pittsfield-Great Barrington combination to five hits. The winners collected 10 off Dick Lee and Don Sheran.

Whittier and Mitchell jointly fanned eight men and walked only three. Sheran and Lee combined to strike out 10 men and walk only one.

Mitchell aided his own cause with a triple, while Bobby Whittle doubled. The losers' scored as follows: Once in the second, four times in the third and once in the fifth.

The double-header was arranged by officials of the Berkshire County Little Bigger Leagues in an effort to raise money for the Shrewsbury teams which were hard hit by the recent tornado that struck the Worcester area. All proceeds were turned over to the Shrewsbury club which suffered severe damage to its playing field and other facilities.

There was only one dark note to the day's activities. Young Johnny Allen of the Adams-North Adams team was severely spiked on a play in the sixth inning. Five stitches were taken in his right hand.

ADAMS AND NORTH ADAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Simpson, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Clarkson, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Francis, 3b	2	0	0	0	0	0
DiMarco, 3b	1	0	0	2	2	0
Stumpek, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Eichorn, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Jaeski, c	0	0	0	6	0	0
Benevnuti, c	2	0	0	4	2	0
Amada, 1b	0	0	0	3	0	0
Allen, 1b	1	1	1	1	0	0
Duffy, 1b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Slozek, ss	1	0	0	0	1	0
Fenurup, ss	1	2	1	1	2	1
Horvel, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Millis, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
King, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gardzini, 2b	2	0	0	1	0	0
Libert, p	2	0	0	0	2	1
Mason, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
	21	3	2	18	9	2

SHREWSBURY NO. 1

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Revilli, 2b	2	0	1	2	0	0
Mauzi, rf	1	0	0	1	0	0
Houno, cf	4	0	0	2	0	0
Faye, 1b	2	1	1	6	1	0
Bourget, p	2	1	1	0	0	1
R. Gouch, 3b	3	0	0	1	0	2
D. Gouch, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Monday, lf	1	1	1	0	0	0
Rigeiro, c	2	2	1	5	3	0
Barrett, ss	2	0	0	1	1	0
Coleman, ss	1	0	0	0	1	1
	22	5	5	18	5	4

Shrewsbury No. 1 ..... 000 014—5
Adams-North Adams ..... 000 201—3

Two-base hits, Allen, Rigeiro. Three-base hit, Roger Bourget. Stolen bases, Eichorn, Jaeski, Amada, Allen, Manzi. Sacrifice, Manzi. Left on bases, Adams-North Adams 6, Shrewsbury No. 1 7. Base on balls, off Bourget 6. Struck out, by Bourget 5. Winning pitcher, Tommy Bourget. Losing pitcher Libert. Umpires, Thompson and Knox. Time, 1h, 40m.

SHREWSBURY NO. 2

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Holbrook, 2b	4	1	2	1	1	0
Abdella, 1b	2	1	1	2	0	0
Golan, 1b	2	0	0	2	0	0
Seneeal, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Slyman, lf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Carmody, lf	4	1	1	3	2	0
Whittle, cf	4	2	2	0	0	0
Destefamo, 3b	1	1	0	1	3	0
Franchi, c	3	0	1	11	1	2
Burns, rf	2	0	1	0	0	0
Reagan, rf	1	0	1	0	0	0
Whittier, p	2	1	1	0	0	0
Mitchell, p	1	0	0	0	0	0
	30	7	10	21	7	2

PITTSFIELD-GT. BARRINGTON

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, 2b	1	1	0	0	0	1
Pulaski, 2b, 1b	2	0	1	0	1	1
Portieri, 3b	2	1	0	9	0	0
Koutner, 3b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mead, 3b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mitchell, c	3	2	1	6	1	1
Venti, c	1	0	0	5	0	0
Clayson, cf	2	2	1	1	0	0
Lee, p	3	0	1	0	1	0
Coakley, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Pierce, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bennett, ss	3	0	0	1	1	0
Lennon, 1b	1	0	0	1	0	0
Connolly, 1b	2	0	1	3	0	0
Brown, 2b	0	0	0	1	0	0
Sheran, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cohen, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Goodrich, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
	25	6	5	18	4	3

Pittsfield-Gt. Barrington 201 401 00—6
Shrewsbury No. 2 ..... 031 003 00—7

Runs batted in, CClayson, Lee. Two-base hit, Whittle. Three-base hit, Mitchell. Stolen bases, Clayson, Lee. Sacrifice, McCartney. Left on bases, Pittsfield-Great Barrington 3, Shrewsbury o. 2 7. Base on balls, off Whittier 3, Sheran 1. Struck out, by Whittier 4, Mitchell 4, Sheran 1, Lee 9. Hits, off Whittier, 2 in 3 innings; Sheran, 3 in 2-3. Hit by pitcher, by Whittier (Clayson). Winning pitcher, R. Mitchell. Losing pitcher, Lee. Umpires, Knox and Thompson. Time, 1h, 50m.

Dave Scholz Leads Rams To 4-0 Win

VFW Team Upsets St. Mary's In LBL Play

The Rams, behind the three-hit pitching of Dave Scholz, shut out Besse-Clarke, 4-0, while the VFW upset division-leading St. Mary's, 7-2, in a pair of Little Bigger Baseball League contests at Deming Field Saturday afternoon.

Besse-Clarke held the Rams until the fourth inning when the winners scored one run. They scored again in the fifth and twice more in the sixth. Paul Venti was the loser as he yielded six hits to the Rams.

The VFW exploded for four runs in the first inning, two more in the third and one in the fifth. The effort proved too much for the usually-powerful St. Mary's team which could only score single runs in the fourth and seventh.

Jimmy Walsh held St. Mary's to five hits as he struck out seven men and walked four. St. Mary's Benny Nogueira fanned one and walked two.

Besse-Clarke and the Rams will play a postponed game at Deming, while the Polish Falcons and St. Mary's complete a previously-tied contest at Wahconah in the only Little Bigger League activity tonight.

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Douglas, 2b	1	0	0	1	1	0
Killackey, 2b	1	0	0	1	2	0
Cohen, cf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Genzebella, ss	2	0	0	1	1	0
Brindle, c	3	0	0	5	1	0
Schmaizel, lf	3	0	1	2	0	0
Venti, p	2	0	0	1	1	0
Carroll, 1b	3	0	0	6	1	0
Seigel, 3b	3	0	2	0	0	0
Mendel, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
	23	0	3	18	7	0

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Connolly, rf	2	1	0	0	0	0
Dougherty, lf	2	0	0	2	0	0
Gamberoni, cf	3	0	1	1	0	0
Manship, c	2	1	1	6	0	1
Scholz, p	3	1	3	0	1	0
Lee, 1b	3	1	1	5	0	0
Clark, 2b	3	0	0	3	2	0
Radke, ss	2	0	0	2	0	1
Monteleone, 3b	3	0	0	2	4	0
	23	4	6	21	7	2

Rams ..... 000 112—4
Runs batted in, Gamberoni, Scholz, Clark, Radke. Stolen bases, Venti, Gamberoni. Sacrifice, Radke. Double play, Clark to Lee. Legt on bases, Besse-Clarke 5, Rame 5. Base on balls, off Scholz 3, Venti 3. Struck out, by Scholz 6, Venti 5. Umpires, Knox and Thompson. Time, 1h, 15m.

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Hebler, ss	2	0	0	1	2	1
Gregory, 2b	4	0	2	1	1	0
Bennett, 3b	4	0	0	3	3	0
LeClair, lf	3	1	0	2	0	0
Mitchell, c	3	0	0	3	0	1
Viner, 1b	1	0	0	1	0	0
Nogueira, p	2	0	0	0	1	1
Pires, cf	3	0	1	1	0	0
Lennon, 1b, c	2	1	2	6	0	0
Greenleaf, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mazzeo, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
	26	2	5	18	7	3

VFW 448

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pulaski, 2b, p	3	1	0	4	1	0
Denno, ss	3	1	1	3	2	0
Walsh, p, 2b	3	0	0	1	0	0
Clayson, cf	4	2	2	2	0	0
Tully, c	4	3	2	8	0	0
Bresnahan, 1b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Heidel, lf	3	0	0	2	0	0
Clancy, rf	3	0	1	0	0	1
Rote, 3b	3	0	1	0	0	1
	29	7	7	21	3	1

VFW ..... 402 010 —7
St. Mary's ..... 000 100 1—2

Runs batted in, Lennon, Denno, Clayson, Tully, Bresnahan. Three-base hits, Denno, Clayson. Home run, Tully. Stolen bases, Walsh, Rote, Tully 2. Double play, Pulaski, unassisted. Left on bases, St. Mary's 6, VFW. Base on balls, off Walsh 7, Nogueira, Pulaski 1. iHts, off Walsh, 4 i 5 innings; Pulaski, 1 in 2. Winning pitcher, Walsh. Losing pitcher, Nogueira. Umpires, Thompson and Knox. Time, 1h, 40m.

Falcons Top Rams, 12-11 In L.B. Play

Besse-Clarke Downs Optimists In Other Game

The Polish Falcons, with a decisive two-run surge in the final inning, edged the Rams, 12-11, at Clapp Park, while Besse-Clarke topped the Optimist Club, 7-3, at Deming Field in a pair of Little Bigger Baseball League tilts last night.

The two Rams' pitchers, Dick Lee and Eddie Connolly, yielded 11 hits to Polish Falcons' batters as the winners scored nine runs in the second, one in the third and the deciding two in the sixth. The losers, collecting nine safeties off Wayne Goodrich, scored three in the first, four in the second and four more in the third.

The Falcons' Bobby Quadrozzi singled in the winning run in the sixth when he hit to center with the bases loaded and two outs. Goodrich was particularly effective as he fanned 10 men and walked six. Connolly, on the other hand, was lacking control as he fanned but two and passed 13.

Nine-Inning Stretch

Besse-Clarke's game with the Optimists was extended to nine innings before the winners exploded for four runs to settle the outcome. Besse's scored three in the first and remained scoreless until the four-run ninth. The Optimists scored a pair in the fifth and one in the sixth.

Besse-Clarke's Bruce Beals limited the opposition to five hits as he fanned six and walked six. Pansecci of the Optimists yielded eight safeties as he struck out three and walked five.

Quadrozzi doubled and homered for the Falcons in the first game while Paul Venti of Besse-Clarke homered in the second.

The scores:

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pivero, 2b	3	3	0	0	1	0
Pullaro, rf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Heye, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gamberoni, cf	2	2	0	1	0	0
Manship, c	3	3	2	4	2	0
Scholz, 3b	3	3	2	4	2	0
Lee, 1b, p	4	0	1	5	0	0
Clark, lf	3	0	2	1	0	0
Radke, ss	3	0	0	1	1	0
Connolly, p, 1b, p	4	0	1	1	2	0
	29	11	9	17	8	0

POLISH FALCONS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Dieroce, rf	4	2	0	0	0	0
Sadlowski, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly, 2b	0	1	0	0	0	0
Goodrich, p	5	1	4	1	1	0
B. Quadrozzi, 3b	5	1	3	0	0	0
Hyland, lf	2	1	0	1	0	0
Jim Shea, c	4	2	3	11	0	1
Reinhold, cf	2	1	1	0	0	0
Ouellette, ss	1	1	0	2	2	2
Graham, 1b	1	2	0	3	0	0
	24	12	11	18	3	3

Rams ..... 344 000—11
Falcons ..... 091 002—12

Runs batted in, Quadrozzi 5, Dieroce, Kelly, Goodrich, Shea, Reinhold, Manship 3, Scholz 2, Clark 2, Radke. Two base hits, Quadrozzi, Clark. Three base hits, Shea, Reinhold, Manship. Home runs, Quadrozzi. Stolen bases, Pivero, Gamberoni. Double plays, Connolly, Manship to Lee. Left on bases, Falcons 11. Bases on balls, off Goodrich 6, Connolly 13. Struck out, by Goodrich 10, Connolly 2. Hit by pitcher, by Connolly (Graham), by Goodrich (Clark, Radke). Winning pitcher, Wayne Goodrich. Losing pitcher, Eddie Connolly. Umpires, Gans, Seeley and Sheran. Time, 1h, 40m.

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Douglas, 2b	3	1	0	2	2	0
Schmaizel, lf	5	1	1	2	0	0
Cohen, cf	4	1	0	0	1	0
Brindle, 1b	4	2	2	10	0	0
Venti, c	4	1	1	5	2	0
Carroll, rf	4	0	0	3	0	0
Seigel, 3b	4	0	2	3	3	1
Killackey, ss	3	0	0	2	3	2
Beals, p	4	1	2	0	1	0
	35	7	8	27	12	3

OPTIMISTS CLUB

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bigelow, 2b	4	0	1	2	4	0
Lake, 3b	3	0	1	2	2	1
DelGallo, ss	4	0	0	3	1	1
Navin, 1b	3	0	0	8	0	0
Keegan, lf	4	0	0	2	0	1
Dwyer, cf	4	1	1	3	0	0
Prentice, rf	2	0	0	0	0	1
Vollinger, rf	2	0	0	2	0	0
Robarge, c	3	1	2	4	1	0
Pansecchi, p	3	1	0	1	2	0
	32	3	5	27	10	4

Besse-Clarke ..... 300 000 004—7
Optimists ..... 000 021 000—3

Runs batted in, Robarge, Lake, Cohen, Brindle 2, Venti 1. Two base hits, Seigel. Three base hit, Schmaizel. Home run, Venti. Stolen bases, Bigelow, DelGallo, Dwyer, Robarge. Double play, Bigelow to DelGallo. Left on bases, Optimists 12, Besse-Clarke 9. Base on balls, off Pansecchi 5, Beals 6. Struck out, by Pansecchi 3, Beals 6. Hit by pitcher, by Beals, Robarge, Keegan. Winning pitcher, Bruce Beals. Losing pitcher, Charlie Pansecchi. Time, 2h, 25m.

Amateur Ball's Mad Pace

FAIR OR FOUL

By Roger O'Gara

TOURNAMENT PLAY on three levels of Pittsfield amateur baseball will be jammed into the next six days. The American Legion, the Little Bigger League and the Little League all will be trying to avert elimination in nationwide competition which could lead eventually to places in events at Miami, Fla., Trenton, N.J., and Williamsport, Pa., respectively.

Something is scheduled for each week night or week-end afternoon, starting this evening and continuing through Sunday. There is no conflict, but that can be attributed directly to blind luck rather than to any co-operation between the administrators of the various programs. At that, a few thundershowers could cause complications.

The slate calls for Pittsfield and Fairview to meet here tonight in the first game of an American Legion junior baseball state tournament series. Tomorrow, the same groups will play at Fairview, a suburb of Chicopee. If a third game should be necessary, its site would be determined by the toss of a coin prior to the series opener. It undoubtedly would be held Thursday night, in line with the Legion's hurry-up policies.

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THE LITTLE LEAGUE county tournament will open Thursday evening, with Pittsfield North at North Adams South and Lee at Adams. On Friday night, Pittsfield East and Pittsfield West will meet at Deming Field and North Adams North will be at Great Barrington. The semi-finals are slated for Monday, with the championship game on Friday, July 31.

Little Bigger League takes over Wahconah Park for the week end, with four teams entered in a Berkshire meet. On Saturday afternoon, Pittsfield No. 1 will go against Adams and Pittsfield No. 2 will face North Adams. The winners will meet on the same field Sunday afternoon at 2 for the right to represent their district in advanced play.

A year ago, most observers realized that the Legion and the East Little League all-stars were likely to go far. The Legion was disappointed, because it was eliminated by Milford in the state semifinals. That raised grave fear that the New England and Eastern championship tournaments, to which Pittsfield was committed as sponsor, would be financial busts. Milford's enthusiasm saved both events.

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THE EAST LITTLE LEAGUE swept everything in Massachusetts from Pittsfield to Newburyport, and went as far as the regional tournament at Naugatuck, Conn. There it was beaten 4-2 by the Norwalk, Conn., entry which won the national title a few days later.

The Little Bigger League team beat North Adams in the first-round of a sectional tournament here, but suffered a one-sided loss to Leominster in the next game. The Massachusetts title was riding on the results of the two contests played here, since there were only three teams in the state. The 13-15 year old leagues have become so popular that Massachusetts had more than 30 this season.

This year, the outlook isn't bright for the Legion. Most of the talented young men who played with the team for several seasons have reached their 18th birthdays, and thus are not eligible. Eddie Hickey, the most successful coach in Pittsfield Legion history, has faced a large rebuilding job. He has managed to steer his club to a 10th consecutive Berkshire County title, yet that doesn't mean much. For there were only three teams in the county this summer.

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IT'S DIFFICULT to conjecture on the chance of the Little Bigger and Little Leagues, for there are no accurate yardsticks for comparison. In Legion ball, you have something to base guesses on, at any rate. Interscholastic competition gives you that.

Probably that's why Fairview is such a heavy favorite to beat Pittsfield. It has a tremendous pitching staff — John Stadnicki, the Chicopee High ace, and Roger Marquis and Andy Quirk, the No. 1 and 2 men, respectively, at Holyoke High the past spring. Marquis beat Pittsfield High in the finals of the Western Massachusetts tournament. Stadnicki is so good that the Chicago Cubs signed him after their recent school in Springfield. The signing later was revoked when it was learned that Stadnicki wasn't eligible for pro consideration because of his Legion affiliation.

Fairview has several other Holyoke High and Chicopee High stars. Pittsfield has shown flashes of offensive power, but certainly hasn't faced any pitching of the caliber which Fairview has. On the other hand, Pittsfield mound work has been adequate at best. Newcomers Ed Plouffe, Pete Archey and Steve Budrow have tried hard, but at the moment, at least, they can't be mentioned in the same breath as Larry Bossidy, Bruce Robarge, Denny Cohen, and Ray Meandro.

Pittsfield beat Fairview a year ago in two straight games. The 2-1 win at Szot Park in Chicopee probably was the greatest victory Larry Bossidy ever scored. With the pressure on him all the way, the big left-hander struck out 21 men while throwing a scintillating four-hitter. He whiffed the highly-regarded Joe Urdzela and Bill Mathieson four times each. On the following evening at Clapp Park, Denny Cohen clinched the series for Pittsfield with a 5-1 win He yielded only three hits.

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NEIL KENT of Hinsdale, Berkshire County's only professional baseball umpire, recently was chosen to work the all-star game in the Class C Cotton States League. Neil plugged to get a place in organized ranks after attending American League Umpire Bill McGowan's school in Florida. He survived early discouragement, and now appears to have made the grade. This will be his first full season. Illness forced him to leave the Arizona-Texas League last summer. Two years ago, a reduction in the number of teams in a league in North Carolina caused his discharge.

Johnny Metro, former Pittsfield Canadian-American League outfielder is on the Cotton States League's umpiring staff. Johnny is a resident of Nanty-Glo, Pa.

Neil says that there's considerable comment concerning the $50,000 racial discrimination suit filed by Negro pitcher George Tugerson against the league for refusing him permission to play. Minor league czar George Trautman insists that Tugerson is eligible. He was signed early in the season by Hot Springs, Ark. on the chances of the Little Big- After the controversy developed, Hot Springs sent Turgerson on option to Knoxville, Tenn., of the Class D Mountain States League. He has won 20 and lost 7 for that team.

All-Star Schedule Listed by LBL

Six games are listed on the All-Star schedule in the two Little Bigger League division this week. American division games will be played tomorrow, Thursday and Friday afternoon at 1 at Clapp Park. National division contests will be played tomorrow and Thursday mornings at 9.30 at Deming Field. A National division game was also listed for this morning at the same hour.

All members of the league are requested to be at Deming Field tomorrow night at 6 when team photographs will be taken.

Two regular-season contests last night were called because of wet grounds.

Tourney Teams Are Listed by L.B. League

Pleau and Pia Are Appointed As Head Coaches

The rosters of the all-star teams which will represent Pittsfield's two Little Bigger Leagues in the sectional tournament at Wahconah Park this week end were released today by tournament director Bill Sable.

George (Red) Pleau of Bill Sable's will coach the American League team, and Louis Pia of the Polish Falcons will direct the play of the National League entry. Assistants will be Louis Russo of the Rams for the Americans and Dick Zaccari of the VFW, for the Nationals. The lists:

AMERICAN

Chris Gilson, Don Perry, Dick Lee, Dick Heidel and Bruce Gilbert, Sable's; David Scholz, John Manship, John Gamberoni and John Seeley, Rams; David Cohen, John Genzabella, Curtis Douglas and Paul Brindle, Besse-Clarke; and Ed Plouffe and Bob Gable, Jets.

NATIONAL

Bob Bennett, Charles LeClair, Benjamin Nogueira, Pete Mitchell, Phil Gregory and Robert Mazzeo, St. Mary's; James Walsh, Alan Clayson, Jim Denno and Mike Tully, VFW; Ted Keegan, Leonard Del Gallo and John Navin, Optimists; and Bob Quadrozzi and Jim Shea, Polish Falcons.

Pat Bruni will be umpire-in-chief. Other members of the staff will be Fred Holden, Joe Harrison and Charles Thompson. Paul Brindle will be official scorer.

Falcons Top Optimists In L.B. Game

Bobby Quadrozzi Yields Three Hits In 8-3 Triumph

The Polish Falcons, paced by the three-hit pitching of Bob Quadrozzi, tripped the Optimists Club, 8-3, in the only Little Bigger Baseball League contest scheduled last night. The game was played at Deming Field.

The winners, however, collected eight safeties off two Optimists pitchers, but waited until the sixth and final inning to score all their runs. The eight-run splurge came on five hits, three walks and an error.

The Optimists, meanwhile, scored once in the first, once in the second and once in the fourth. Jim Bigelow of the Optimists belted the only extra-base hit, a double.

Quadrozzi worked well as he fanned six men and walked four. Ted Keegan and Pansecchi jointly fanned 10 men and walked five.

The score:

POLISH FALCONS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
DiCroce, 3b	3	1	1	1	0	1
Canzano, lf	3	1	0	2	0	0
Goodrich, cf	4	1	1	1	0	0
Quadrozzi, p	4	0	3	2	3	0
Shea, ss	4	1	1	0	1	1
Bruno, c	4	1	1	6	1	0
Powers, rf	3	1	0	0	0	0
Reinhold, 1b	1	1	1	5	0	0
Graham, 2b	1	0	0	1	1	0
*Ouellette, 2b	0	1	0	0	0	0
	27	8	8	18	6	2

OPTIMISTS' CLUB

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Spadafora, 1b	2	0	0	5	0	0
Lake, ss	3	0	1	1	2	0
Robarge, c	3	1	1	10	1	0
Bigelow, lf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Dwyer, cf	3	0	0	0	0	1
Keegan, p	2	1	1	0	2	1
Pansecchi, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kahn, 2b	2	1	1	2	0	0
DelGallo, 3b	1	0	0	0	1	1
Prentice, rf	2	0	1	0	0	0
Handy, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
	22	3	6	18	6	3

Polish Falcons	000	008—8
Optimists	110	100—3

***Ran for Graham in 6th.**
Called at end of 6th, darkness.

Runs batted in, Shea 2, Reinhold 2, Canzano, Goodrich, DiCroce, Lake, Bigelow, DelGallo. Two-base hit, Bigelow. Stolen bases, Kahn, Keegan, Shea 2. Sacrifices, Kahn, DelGallo, DiCroce. Left on bases, Polish Falcons 8, Optimists' Club 7. Base on balls, off Keegan 5, Quadrozzi 4. Struck out, by Keegan 10, Quadrozzi 6. Hits, off Keegan, 8 in 5 2-3 innings; Pansecchi, 0 in 1-3. Hit by pitcher, by Keegan (Reinhold). Winning pitcher, Quadrozzi. Losing pitcher, Keegan. Umpires, Thompson and Knox. Time, 1h, 50m.

St. Mary's Triumphs 7-3 In L.B. Play

Rams Defeat VFW, 6-4, In Other Contest

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	9	4	.629
Rams	9	5	.643
Besse-Clarke	6	7	.462
Jets	5	9	.357

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Mary's	10	4	.714
VFW	9	6	.600
Polish Falcons	6	8	.429
Optimists	2	13	.133

National-division leader St. Mary's racked up its 10th win in 14 starts with a 7-2 triumph over Besse-Clarke at Clapp Park, and the Rams topped the VFW, 6-4, at Deming Field in two Little Bigger League games last night.

St. Mary's Benny Nogueira held the opposition to four hits as his team scored twice in the first, once in the third, once in the fifth and three times in the sixth. Dave Cohen of the losers yielded seven safeties. Besse-Clarke scored once in the third and once in the fourth.

Nogueira fanned six men and walked two while Cohen struck out eight and walked nine.

Butch LeClair doubled and Bobby Bennett homered for the winners.

Dave Scholz of the Rams gave up 10 hits, but the VFW left six men on base and could only score twice in the fourth and twice in the sixth. The winners, meanwhile, pushed one run across in the first, one in the third and four in the fourth.

Al Clayson and Johnny Bresnahan doubled for the losers for the only extra-base hits of the contest.

League officials have announced that games scheduled for tonight and tomorrow night will be postponed so as not to conflict with All-Star team practices. The American division All-Stars will practice both nights at 6 at the Common. National division All-Stars will work out at the same time both evenings at Deming Field.

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	hpo	a	e
Pellerin, ss	2	1	0	1	1	0
Gregory, 2b	2	2	0	3	1	0
Bennett, 3b	3	0	4	2	1	1
Mitchell, c	4	0	1	6	1	0
LeClair, cf	3	0	1	2	0	0
Nogueira, p	3	0	1	0	2	0
Lennon, lb	3	0	0	6	0	0
Viner, 1b	1	0	1	0	0	0
Greenleaf, rf	1	0	0	1	0	0
Pires, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
*Ormshee	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hebler, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
	27	7	7	21	6	1

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	hpo	a	e
Douglas, 2b	4	0	1	0	3	0
Schmaizel, lf	3	0	0	3	0	0
Cohen, p	1	1	0	0	1	0
Brindle, c, cf	3	0	1	5	0	0
Vesel, cf, c	3	0	0	4	0	0
Seigel, 3b	3	0	0	0	1	1
Carroll, 1b	2	1	2	8	0	0
Kazaka, ss	3	0	0	1	2	0
Mendel, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Griffin, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
	25	2	4	21	7	1

St. Mary's ..... 201 013 0—7
Besse-Clarke ..... 001 100 0—2

*Hit into doubleplay for Pires in 6th.

Runs batted in, Bennett 3, Mitchell, LeClair, Douglas, Seigel. Two-base hit, LeClair. Home run, Bennett. Stolen bases, Bennett 2, LeClair, Negueira. Double play, Kazaka to Carroll. Left on bases, St. Mary's 7, Besse-Clarke 5. Base on balls, off Cohen 9, Nogueira 2. Struck out, by Cohen 8, Nogueira 6. Hit by pitcher, by Nogueira (Cohen) Winning pitcher, Nogueira. Losing pitcher, Cohen. Umpires, Garitvaltis and Bruni. Time, 1h. 30m.

RAMS

	ab	r	hpo	a	e
Clark, rf	2	2	0	0	0	0
Redhouse, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dougherty, lf	4	2	2	0	1	0
Gamberoni, cf	3	0	1	1	0	0
Manship, c	4	0	0	11	2	0
Scholz, p	3	0	0	2	3	0
Seeley, 3b	3	0	0	0	1	0
Lee, 1b	3	0	0	2	1	0
Connelly, 1b	1	0	1	4	0	1
Monteleone, ss	4	1	2	0	0	1
Radke, 2b	2	1	0	0	1	0
	28	6	6	21	9	1

VFW 448

	ab	r	hpo	a	e
Pulaski, 1b, p	4	0	0	9	3	1
Heidel, lf	4	0	0	2	0	0
Denno, ss	4	1	0	2	2	0
Clayson, c	4	2	2	5	2	1
Bresnahan, p	3	1	2	4	1	0
Clancy, cf	3	0	1	0	0	1
Roie, 3b	3	0	2	0	2	1
Burrimarti, 2b	2	0	0	0	0	0
Mason, 2b	1	0	1	2	0	0
Panacchi, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Balmer, rf	2	0	0	1	0	0
	31	4	10	21	8	3

Rams ..... 101 ... 0—6
VFW ..... 0—7 ... 0—4

Runs batted in, Clayson, Bresnahan, Roie, Dougherty, Gamberoni 2, Scholz. Two-base hits, Clayson, Bresnahan. Stolen bases, Dougherty, Manship, Scholz, Monteleone. Left on bases, VFW 6, Rams 8. Base on balls, off Bresnahan 8, Struck out, by Scholz 5, Bresnahan 6, Pulaski 2. Hits, off Bresnahan, 4 in 7 innings; Pulaski, 2 in 2. Winning pitcher, Scholz. Losing pitcher, Bresnahan. Umpires, Knox and Gans. Time, 1h. 30m.

Ricchi's Team Wins, 22-10, in Park League

Defending champion Ricchi's Sunoco blasted England Brothers, 22-10, in a high-scoring Park Department Softball League game at Deming Field last night.

Ricchi's scored four runs in the opening inning and from there on in coasted to victory. Ted Martin allowed England Brothers only six hits. Ed DeAngelo, Fred Shogry and Eddie Poulin each homered for the winners. Tony Sacchetti had two hits for the losers.

Stanley's Grill and the GE Drafters will meet on Deming's diamond No. 2 in the only game scheduled tonight. It will start at 6.30.

Little League Lists Meeting

The coaches of all three Little Baseball Leagues and the board of directors of the city organization will meet Thursday night at 8.30 at the Parks and Recreation Department.

Pittsfield Nationals Will Compete for Massach

Fitchburg and Northampton Also To Play at Leominster

Local Americans Are Defeated 3-2 In Berkshire Tourney Final—Adams And North Adams Lose in Openers

Victorious in a pair of week-end squeakers in the Berkshire district Little Bigger League tournament, Pittsfield's Nationals today were preparing for the three-team state championship play at Leominster tomorrow. The Nationals won the right to represent this section by defeating Adams 2-0 Saturday and the Pittsfield Americans 3-2 yesterday. Comparatively good-sized crowds saw both programs at Wahconah Park.

Gilson Hits Two Homers

The Americans made it an all-Pittsfield final by trouncing North Adams 15-0 in the second game Saturday. Chris Gilson of the Americans hit a pair of home runs in this one.

Pittsfield, Fitchburg and Northampton will compete for honors at Leominster. Fitchburg beat Shrewsbury 6-3 in the finals of its district tournament yesterday, and Northampton won a similar event by downing Southbridge 9-3.

The state champion will face the Rhode Island titlist Saturday afternoon at 2 at Southbridge for the right to enter the regional tournament the following week end at Stamford, Conn. The regional winner will be one of eight teams in the national finals at Trenton, N.J., the week of Aug. 16.

At Leominster one team will draw a bye. The other two teams will meet at 1.30 PM and the championship contest is listed for 5.30 PM.

Quadrozzi To Start

Excellent pitching by right-handers Bobby Quadrozzi of the Polish Falcons and Jimmy Walsh of the Veterans of Foreign Wars brought the Nationals the tournament title. Quadrozzi limited Adams to five hits, and Walsh permitted the Americans only four. Quadrozzi will pitch tomorrow. If two games are necessary, Walsh will work the second.

One big inning did the trick for the Nationals yesterday. In the second, Bob Bennett singled, Butch LeClair walked, and Jack (Red) Navin singled for one run. Then Benny Nogueira, the No. 9 batter, singled for two more scores.

The Americans made both of their runs in the third on a pass, a single by Dick Lee, an error, a single by Gilson and another miscue.

Gilson was the only player in the championship game with two hits. That gave him a tournament batting average of .625 for he had driven in six runs with two circuit clouts and a single Saturday.

Denno Saves Game

A sensational stop by shortstop Tom Denno of St. Mary's saved Saturday's game for the Nationals. Adams had the bases full with two out in the seventh and final inning when Roger Benvenutti hit a grounder which looked like a two-run, game-tying single. Denno went into the hole, back-handed it, and pegged for a forceout play at second base.

Bennett's single and a pair of errors gave the Nationals a 1-0 lead on Adams in the second inning. A pass to Denno, his theft of second and Walsh's single brought the other score.

Bobo Dami, a slight right-hander, held the Nationals to two hits, but both figured in the scoring. So did two of the three Adams errors. The Nationals gave Quadrozzi excellent support. They made only one miscue.

The American-North Adams game was tight until the fifth inning. The Pittsfield team broke a scoreless deadlock with a five-run splurge, then crashed through for 10 more in the sixth.

Plouffe Does Superbly

Ed (Red) Plouffe, the American Legion's ace pitcher, shackled North Adams on a three-hitter. He fanned 11, and didn't walk a man.

Dick Heidel joined Gilson in the three-hit class. John Genzabella, Lee and Plouffe had two each.

The scores:

(FIRST GAME)

PITTSFIELD NATIONALS

	ab	r	hpo	a	e
Denno, ss	2	1	2	2	1	
Gregory, 2b	2	0	0	2	1	0
Walsh, 1b	3	0	1	3	0	0
Clayson, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Tully, c	3	0	0	6	0	0
Bennett, 3b	3	1	1	4	1	0
LeClair, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
NoGueira, cf	2	0	0	2	0	0
Quadrozzi, p	2	0	0	1	2	0
	20	2	4	21	6	1

ADAMS

	ab	r	hpo	a	e
Koza, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Favreau, ss	4	0	1	2	3	0
Kulpa, 1b	3	0	1	10	0	0
Benvenati, c	3	0	0	0	2	0
Clark, 3b	3	0	0	2	2	3
Clarkson, cf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Amato, rf	3	0	1	1	0	0
Bigelow,	2	0	0	0	2	0
Gilligan	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bo Bo Dani, p	2	0	0	2	0	1
x-Jordan	1	0	0	0	0	0
xx-Cossello	0	0	0	0	0	0
	27	0	5	18	10	3

x-Hit into fielder's choice for Koza in 7th.
xx-Walked for Bigelow in 7th.

Pittsfield ..... 010 001 —2
Adams ..... 000 000 —0

Runs batted in, Walsh. Stolen bases, Denno. Sacrifices, Gregory. Left on bases, Pittsfield 2, Adams 10. Base on balls, off Dami 2, Quadrozzi 2. Struck out, by Dami 4, Quadrozzi 6. Hit by pitcher, by Quadrozzi (Kulpa). Umpires, Thompson, Bruni and Harrison. Time, 1h, 25m.

(SECOND GAME)

AMERICAN

	ab	r	hpo	a	e
Genezebella, ss	3	1	2	0	1	1
Heidel, lf, cf	4	3	3	0	0	0
Lee, cf, 3b	4	3	2	0	1	0
Plouffe, p	4	2	2	0	0	0
Gilson, 1b	5	2	3	7	0	0
Manship, c	4	2	0	11	2	0
Cohen, 2b	1	0	0	1	3	0
Douglas, 2b	2	0	0	0	0	0
Seeley, 3b	3	0	0	0	3	0
Gable, rf	0	1	0	0	0	0
Schalk, rf	3	0	1	1	0	0
Gamberoni, rf, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
x-Gilbert	1	1	1	0	0	0
	35	15	14	21	9	0

NORTH ADAMS

	ab	r	hpo	a	e
Prite, cf	3	0	0	0	1	0
Ziter, ss	3	0	1	3	1	2
Allen, c	3	0	1	5	0	2
Estes, lf	3	0	0	3	0	0
Palumbo, lf	1	0	0	0	0	1
Farmer, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Cironi, rf, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Demarco, 2b	2	0	0	2	1	0
Kelly, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crews, p	1	0	0	0	0	0
Dunn, 3b	2	0	0	4	2	1
Selsby, 1b	2	0	0	1	0	0
Foster, 1b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mills, p	1	0	1	0	0	0
Campedelli, p, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
	24	0	3	18	5	6

x-Singled for Cohen in 6th.

American ..... 000 05 10—15
North Adams ..... 000 00 00—0

Runs batted in, Gilson 6, Lee 2, Heidel, Plouffe, Manship, Gilbert, Scholz. Two base hits, Genzebella, Heidel, Lee. Home runs, Chris Gilson 2. Stolen bases, Heidel, Lee, Plouffe, Gilson, Manship, Scholz, Allen. Left on bases, North Adams 2, Pittsfield 9. Base on balls, off Mills 2, Campedelli, 1, Crews 2. Struck out, by Plouffe 11, Millis 4. Hits, off Millis 5 in 1 inning; off Campedelli 3 in 1 inning; 4 1/3 innings; off Campedelli 3 in 1 inning; off Crews 6 in 2/3 inning. Hit by pitcher, by Millis (Heidel). Umpires, Bruni, Harrison, Thompson. Time, 2h.

(THIRD GAME)

PITTSFIELD NATIONALS

	ab	r	hpo	a	e
Denno, ss	3	0	0	1	3	2	1
Gregory, 2b	3	0	0	1	2	0
Walsh, p	2	0	1	0	1	0
Clayson, lf	3	0	0	0	1	0
Tully, c	3	0	0	1	6	0	0
Bennett, 3b	3	1	1	1	6	0	0
LeClair, rf	2	1	0	1	0	0
Navin, 1b	2	1	1	4	0	1
NoGuelra, cf	2	0	0	1	0	0
	22	3	3	6	21	6	3

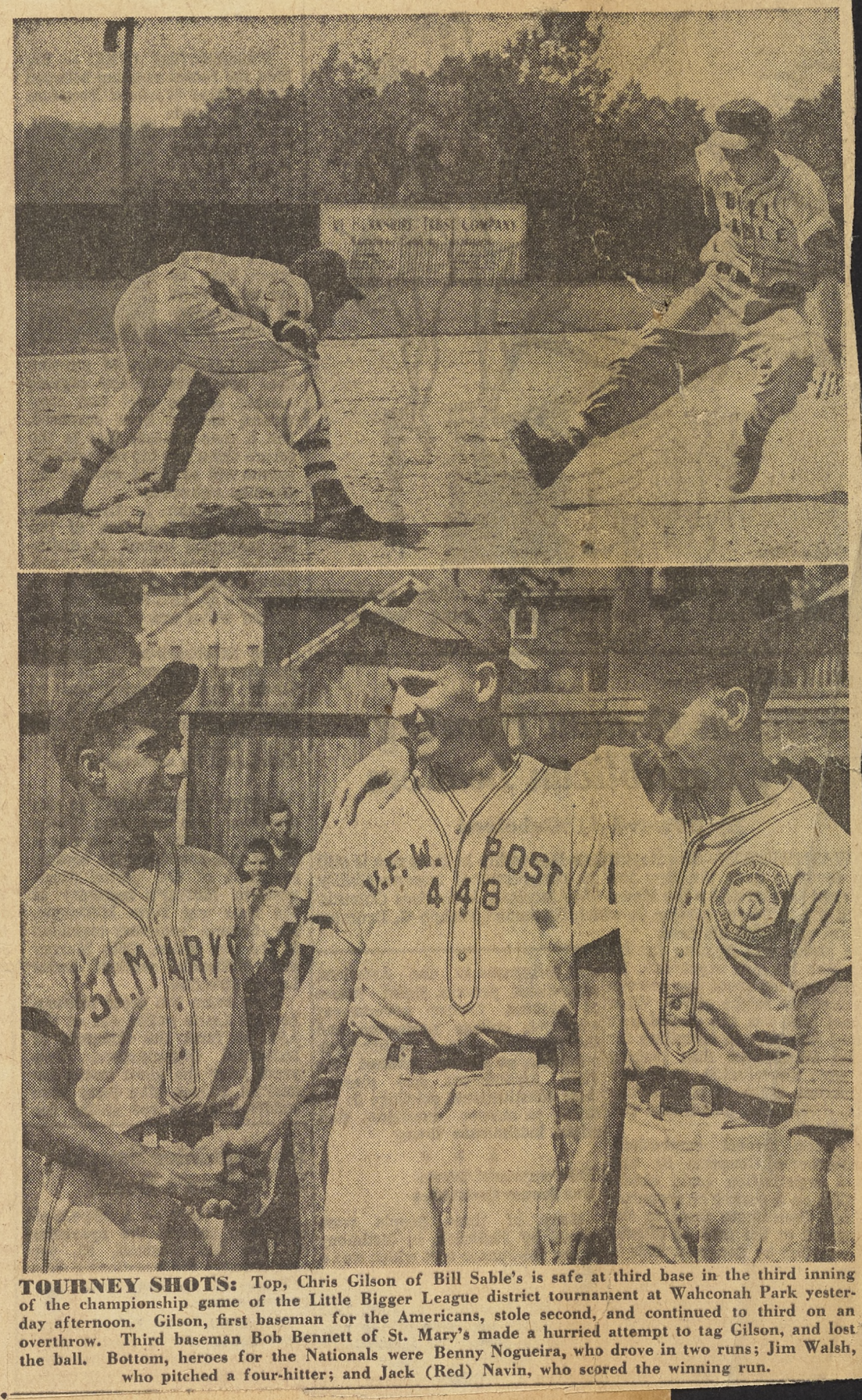
PITTSFIELD AMERICANS

	ab	r	hpo	a	e
Genezebella, ss	4	0	0	2	1	0
Heidel, lf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Lee, cf, 3b	3	0	1	0	0	1
Plouffe, cf, lf	3	1	0	2	0	0
Chris Gilson, 1b	3	0	2	4	0	0
Manship, c	2	0	0	5	2	0
Cohen, 2b	3	0	1	3	2	0
Seeley, 3b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Scholz, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Don Perry, p	2	0	0	1	3	0
x-Gable	1	0	0	0	0	0
	25	3	4	18	8	1

x-Struck out for Perry in 7th.

Nationals ..... 030 000 —3
Americans ..... 002 000 0—2

Runs batted in, Nogueira 2, Navin. Stolen bases, LeClair, Manship, Cohen. Doubles plays, Perry, Cohen and Gilson; Gregory to Navin. Left on bases, Nationals 4, Americans 4. Base on balls, off Perry 3, Walsh 4. Struck out, by Perry 4, Walsh 5. Umpires, Harrison, Thompson and Bruni. Time, 1h, 15m.



TOURNEY SHOTS: Top, Chris Gilson of Bill Sable's is safe at third base in the third inning of the championship game of the Little Bigger League district tournament at Wahconah Park yesterday afternoon. Gilson, first baseman for the Americans, stole second, and continued to third on an overthrow. Third baseman Bob Bennett of St. Mary's made a hurried attempt to tag Gilson, and lost the ball. Bottom, heroes for the Nationals were Benny Nogueira, who drove in two runs; Jim Walsh, who pitched a four-hitter; and Jack (Red) Navin, who scored the winning run.

Benefit Game For Wade Tate Sunday Aug. 23

1/28/53

Aces and Stockbridge To Clash at Wahconah Park

The Buick Tyler Aces and Rebels of Stockbridge will play a benefit game for Wade Tate at Wahconah

Wade Tate

Park Sunday, Aug. 23. All proceeds from the contest will go to Wade, a member of the Pittsfield team, who is at Hillcrest Hospital suffering from a torn knee cartilage sustained in the Aces-Rebels game at Stockbridge last week.

Vin Hebert, superintendent of the Park Department, has donated the use of Wahconah Park while Nadeau Cianfrini, Sam Russo, John Luzis, Red Pleau and Bill Fraser have also donated their services.

Tate, veteran third baseman, will be laid up for a long period, and tickets for this worthy cause will go on sale this week throughout Berkshire County.

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Pittsfield Nationals Win Massachusetts Little Bigger League Championship

Fitchburg and Northampton Defeated at Leominster

Alan Clayson Hits Three Home Runs In Twin Bill—Pittsfield To Face Rhode Island Champion Saturday

By ROGER O'GARA

LEOMINSTER—Soaring over the Doyle Field snow fence for five home runs like a blizzard out of control, Pittsfield's Nationals swept to the Massachusetts Little Bigger Baseball League title here last night. The Berkshire district champions clinched the honor by defeating Northampton, the bye team in the three-community competition, 6-3 in a twilight tilt after trouncing Fitchburg 19-6 in the afternoon.

Tourney Tilt at Southbridge

Pittsfield will oppose the Rhode Island champions Saturday afternoon at 2 at Southbridge in a New England regional tournament first round game. The winner will move on to advanced play the following week end at Stamford, Conn., for the right to enter the national finals at Trenton, N. J.

Alan Clayson, the slugging 15-year-old left-fielder, topped the Pittsfield assault on four opposing pitchers by hitting three home runs and driving in seven scores. He had two round-trippers in the 17-hit barrage against Fitchburg, and provided a flying start with a two-run circuit clout in the opening inning of the second game.

Steady pitching by right-handers Bobby Quadrozzi, 15, and Jim Walsh, 14, supplemented the purposeful hitting. Quadrozzi recovered from a shaky start against Fitchburg, and turned in a five-hitter. Walsh had a shut-out going until Northampton, in a desperation effort, scored all of its runs in the seventh and final inning.

Excellent Control

Both Pittsfield pitchers had excellent control. Each issued only one pass. Walsh struck out eight, Quadrozzi five. Fitchburg and Northampton each started their best moundsman. Highly-regarded Donald MacLean of Fitchburg was driven to cover in a six-run third inning, but mammoth Chuck Wilhem Jr., went the route for Northampton. Both are right-handers.

Quadrozzi and Butch LeClair hit the other homers for Pittsfield. Quadrozzi's was especially important. It came with the bases full in the third inning of the opener. LeClair's widened his team's margin to 3-0 in the second inning of the afterpiece.

Northampton drew a bye, and thus Pittsfield and Fitchburg had to play in the first game. Pittsfield also lost both coin tosses to determine the home team at bat.

Pittsfield's outlook was dark at the start. Fitchburg jumped to a 3-0 lead in the first inning. The finish also was nerve-wracking as Northampton crossed the plate three times. But in the intervening 12⅓ innings, the team coached by Rev. John Murphy of St. Mary's and Dick Zaccari of the Veterans of Foreign Wars was supreme.

All of the Northampton runs were unearned. For they occurred after sufficient chances had been offered to retire the side.

Four Big Innings

Wilhem became rough after yielding the early homers. He blanked Pittsfield from the third through the sixth. Pittsfield obtained a three-run cushion in the seventh. Singles by LeClair and Walsh were important ingredients, and Northampton committed three miscues. Wilhem bobbled Benny Nogueira's intended sacrifice bunt, and an error by shortstop Fred Shaw cost a run.

Walsh and LeClair were the only Pittsfield men with two hits in the second game. Walsh drove in two runs in the seventh.

Four fruitful innings marked Pittsfield's power orgy in the opener. Every Pittsfield regular hit safely at least once. Free-swinging Clayson led with a pair of homers and a single for a perfect day and five RBIs. His first circuit blow in the third inning was the longest of the day. It still was climbing as it left the park in right center.

Quadrozzi had five RBI's. In addition to his grand slam homer, he brought in a score with a long outfield fly.

Bennett had four hits in five times at bat. He also was the fielding star with two spectacular plays at third base.

Jerry Pezzolesi, Fitchburg's good-sized 13-year-old first baseman, homered twice. Each came with a man aboard.

The first put Fitchburg ahead 3-0 in the opening inning. At the time it appeared like a substantial margin, for MacLean, Fitchburg's fireball right-hander, had looked good in blanking Pittsfield in the top of the round.

But MacLean was hit hard before he was withdrawn with one out in the third. His successor, Ronnie Moilanen, the regular center-fielder, was bothersome for a while, but was shabbily treated as Pittsfield mounted full-scale offensives in the fifth and seventh.

Ted Keegan, substitute right-fielder, made a spectacular catch of Pete Fitzgerald's fly in the seventh inning. The son of state commissioner Colin A. Keegan crashed into the snow fence as he grabbed the ball.

The score:

(FIRST GAME)

PITTSFIELD

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Denno, ss	5	2	1	0	3	3
Gregory, 2b	5	0	2	1	0	0
Walsh, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bennett, 3b	5	3	4	2	2	0
Clayson, lf	3	2	3	1	0	0
Tully, c	4	1	1	6	1	0
Mitchell, c	0	1	0	0	0	0
Navin, 1b	3	1	2	8	0	0
Shea, 1b	0	1	0	0	0	0
LeClair, rf	2	2	1	1	0	0
Keegan, rf	0	1	0	1	0	0
Nogueira, cf	3	2	1	0	0	0
DelGallo, 2b	0	0	0	1	0	1
Quadrozzi, p	5	3	2	0	4	0
	35	19	17	21	10	4

FITCHBURG

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Moilanen, cf, p	4	2	0	1	2	1
Fitzgerald, 2b, ss	3	0	0	0	2	0
Corliss, c	4	1	2	8	1	2
Scott, 3b	2	1	1	1	2	0
Pezzolesi, 1b	3	2	2	6	1	0
Beaulac, rf	3	0	0	1	1	0
Hughes, ss	3	0	0	1	0	1
Cormier, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cardinal, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cristofono, lf	3	0	0	1	0	0
MacLean, p	1	0	0	0	0	0
Kenney, cf, 2b	2	0	0	2	0	0
	28	6	5	21	9	4

Pittsfield	036	040	6—19
Fitchburg	300	210	0— 6

Runs batted in, Clayson 5, Nogueira, Quadrozzi 5, Corliss 2, Pezzolesi 4, Bennett 2, Gregory 2. Two base hits, Bennett, Nogueira, Corliss. Home runs, Clayson 2, Quadrozzi, Pezzolesi 2. Stolen bases, Denno, Clayson, Navin, LeClair. Sacrifices, Fitzgerald, LeClair. Left on bases, Pittsfield 6, Fitchburg 3. Bases on balls, off Quadrozzi 1, McLean 4, Moilanen 2, Cormier 3. Struck out, by Quadrozzi 5, MacLean 2, Moilanen 5. Hits, off MacLean 8 in 2 1/3 innings; off Moilanen 9 in 4 2/3 innings; off Cormier 0 in 0 innings (pitched to 4 batters). Hit by pitcher by Cormier (Shea). Wild pitches, Moilanen 2, Cormier. Passed balls, Corliss. Losing pitcher, MacLean. Umpires, Tierney, Gibbons, Heirup and Shannon. Time, 2h, 24m.

(SECOND GAME)

PITTSFIELD

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Gregory, 2b	4	0	0	3	0	0
Bennett, 3b	4	0	0	2	1	0
Quadrozzi, ss	4	1	1	0	3	0
Clayson, lf	3	1	1	0	1	0
Tully, c	3	0	0	7	1	1
Navin, 1b	3	0	0	8	1	0
LeClair, rf	3	2	2	0	0	0
Nogueira, cf	2	1	1	1	0	0
Walsh, p	3	1	2	0	3	0
	29	6	7	21	10	1

NORTHAMPTON

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bak, 2b	4	0	3	2	0	0
Hodges, rf	2	0	1	1	0	0
Jessler, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Willard, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Carrier, c	3	0	0	6	2	1
Shaw, ss	2	0	0	2	2	2
Olzak, cf	2	0	0	1	0	0
LaCroix, cf	1	1	1	1	1	0
Whitman, 1b	2	0	0	6	0	0
Turban, 3b	3	0	0	2	0	2
Wilhem, p	3	1	1	0	1	1
x-Tenczar	1	1	1	0	0	0
xx-Grinnell	1	0	0	0	0	0
	28	3	7	21	6	6

x-Singled for Shaw in 7th.
xx-Grounded out for Whitman in 7th.

Pittsfield	210	000	3—6
Northampton	000	000	3—3

Runs batted in, Clayson 2, LeClair, Walsh 2, Bak, Wilhem. Two base hit, Bak. Home runs, Clayson, LeClair. Stolen bases, Nogueira, Wilhem. Sacrifice, Nogueira. Left on bases, Pittsfield 4, Northampton 5. Base on balls, off Walsh 1, Wilhem 1. Struck out, by Walsh 8, Wilhem 5. Wild pitches, Wilhem. Passed balls, Tully 3. Umpires, Gibbons, Seirup, Shannon and Tierney. Time, 1h, 48m.

STATE CHAMPIONS: Here are the Pittsfield Nationals, kings of Massachusetts 13-15-year-old baseball players. They won the state Little Bigger League championship yesterday at Leominster. Left to right, front row, Charles (Butch) LeClair, St. Mary's; Jack (Red) Navin, Optimists' Club; Bobby Quadrozzi, Polish Falcons; Jimmy Walsh, Veterans of Foreign Wars; Phil Gregory, St. Mary's; Alan Clayson, VFW; Mike Tully, VFW; back row, Benny Nogueira, St. Mary's; Leonard Del Gallo, Optimists; Jim Denno, VFW; Ted Keegan, Optimists; Jimmy Shea, Polish Falcons; Pete Mitchell, St. Mary's; Bobby Bennett, St. Mary's; Coach Dick Zaccari, VFW.

What's It All About?

7/30/53

FAIR OR FOUL

By Roger O'Gara

WHAT DOES IT MEAN? That's what your busy fellow wants to know when you state a fact. The mere morsel of information has no more appeal to him than a piece of unbuttered bread. He wants interpretation and a little gloss.

In short, it's all well and good for the unsophisticated to rejoice over Pittsfield's victory in the Little Bigger Baseball League state tournament, but what's it all about? What, for instance, is Little Bigger League? A most confusing and contradictory term, what?

Well, now, L.B.L. is a national unit providing organized baseball for boys between 13 and 15 years of age. If you'll pardon the presumption, its formation only a year ago filled a serious void. For there was no formal play for a boy after he finished Little League at 12 until he was ready for Legion ball at 16. That meant that three tremendously important formative years were in danger. Oh, granted, not a matter for national concern or worry about moral or social decadence, but a problem all the same.

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SO L.B.L. solved it. The sweep of the Pittsfield Nationals at Leominster means that they are the acknowledged kings of 12 leagues in Massachusetts. As such, they have the right to continue in advanced play against distant opponents until they suffer defeat.

Like any worthwhile activity, L.B.L. has its defects. Call them bugs, if you will. That's why Pittsfield this Saturday will be opposing the Rhode Island champion at Southbridge.

You see, New England's six states comprise one of the eight regions for national tournament play. A powerful gentleman in Stamford, Conn., site of the regional tournament, figured that it would be well to assemble the six state champions there, and have them fight it out for the right to go on to the Little World Series at Trenton, N.J.

So, with complete disregard for common sense and fair play, he awarded byes to the Connecticut and Vermont entries. He then ordered that Massachusetts and Rhode Island would have to meet in one first-round game at Stamford, with New Hampshire and Maine playing in the other.

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HIS PROPOSAL was to have the survivor of those two games in line for three contests in a single week end (Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 8 and 9) at Stamford. Therein he failed to estimate the righteous indignation of bantam Colin Keegan, Pittsfield's state commissioner of L.B.L.

Keegan made two points in a fiery conversation which tested the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company's toll circuit more than any lightning bolt. One, the bye system was bum. Two, to paraphrase Daniel Webster, Massachusetts, there she stands — stubborn. The Bay State, the British-born dynamo, deposed, would buy the bye because it realized that the Stamford man as regional tournament commissioner, had the right to set up the framework. Yet, and here his voice rose so sharply that reception in Stamford probably could have been achieved without benefit of wires, no Massachusetts team would play three games in two days.

So the concession was made. If Pittsfield hurdles Rhode Island's champ, it will have to engage in only two contests at Stamford—one on Saturday, the other on Sunday.

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THE CASUAL conversationalist inquires, "Tell me, we've had state champions before, haven't we? Seems to me that I recall —"

It's merciful to interrupt here to save embarrassment. For the chances are that he won't recall accurately, and then you're all snarled up in corrections. It isn't healthful for either party. So the gross breach of ethics is excusable. Saves wear and tear on the nervous system, don't you know.

Yes, the Little Bigger Leaguers are Pittsfield's fourth state champions in five years. Their predecessors were Pittsfield High's 1949 team and the Legion clubs of 1949 and 1951. The 1952 Pittsfield East Little Leaguers would have been entitled to listing as state titlists, if someone at a distant point hadn't gummed up the map of Massachusetts beyond recognition. Pittsfield probably can file a claim for the 1952 state crown on the basis of its reign over a territory from the New York line to Newburyport.

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THE CIVIC-MINDED guy always inclines to the long range viewpoint. Will there be any far-reaching effects of the Pittsfield victory?

Pittsfield's success against the strongest opposition in the state should result in a plentiful supply of school, Legion and amateur stars in the next five or six years. Who knows? There even may be a pro prospect in the group.

It's very early to venture a guess as to what will happen to a 15-year-old boy. Even in musical circles, prodigies sometimes fail. Yet Alan Clayson's power-packed swing leads us to believe that he may go a long way, if he wants to. A left-handed batter, he takes a meaningful cut at the ball, and sends it a surprising distance.

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THOSE WHO periodically deplore the passing from the local scene of favorite players would have had to admit that their pessimism was ill-founded if they had been at Leominster Tuesday. For the all-around play of the Pittsfield team was refreshingly intelligent and surprisingly efficient.

Clayson's power batting drew the most ohs and ahs from the neutral zone. Yet one middle-aged Leominster man had eyes only for Bobby Bennett, the sure-gloved Pittsfield third baseman, who also is a pretty fair hitter.

"A corker. A corker. A corker," this fellow would say every time young Mr. Bennett made a spectacular play. It was the first time I've heard that word in a baseball park. This may be the dawn of a new day for the game.

Ricchi's Tops Honiker's in Park League

7-31-53

Powerful Ricchi Sunoco socked Honiker's Service Station, 15-4, in a Park Department Softball League game last night at Deming Field.

John Perry held Honiker's to five hits. Don Heidel led the winners at the plate with three safeties. Paul Yoss of the losers homered.

Eaton Paper and England Brothers will meet on Deming's diamond No. 2 in the next league contest Tuesday night at 6.30.

Brooklyn Stars of Tomorrow To Play Here Thursday, Aug. 13

7-31-53

The Brooklyn Dodgers' Stars of Tomorrow will oppose the Pittsfield Majestics at Wahconah Park Thursday night, Aug. 13, Coach Dan Healy of the Majestics announced today. He said net proceeds will be turned over to his team's fund for the trip to Johnstown, Pa., and the All-America amateur tournament.

The Dodgers lost to the Bennington Majestics 6-4 at Bennington Tuesday night. In stressing that the Brooklyn club will meet the Pittsfield Majestics, Healy explained that he will use the tournament club.

This means that Rit Flynn, Eddie McMahon and Francis (Butch) Corbett of the Bennington team will not play. All are over 19, which is the age limit for the Johnstown event.

However, the Majestics will have such Bennington regulars as Larry Bossidy, Bruce Robarge, Denny Cohen, Charley Garivaltis, Dick DiOrio, Jack Brennan and Bob Traversa.

The Brooklyn team, composed of New York and New Jersey interscholastic stars who have been tabbed as big league prospects, beat the Majestics twice here last summer. The team is coached by Turk Karam and Buck Lai, Brooklyn scouts.

LBL Champions Depart at 8.30 AM For Southbridge

The Pittsfield Nationals, Massachusetts Little Bigger League champions, will leave here tomorrow morning at 8.30 for Southbridge where they meet the Bristol County team, the Rhode Island titlists, in the first round of the New England finals.

Players and coaches will depart from the Park Department office, 52 School Street.

Pittsfield's State Champs Play Tomorrow in Tourney

7-31-53

Bristol County, Rhode Island Titlist, Will Be Opponent at Southbridge— Both Pitchers Will Be Eligible

Pittsfield's Nationals, Massachusetts Little Bigger Baseball League champions, will oppose Bristol County, the Rhode Island titlist, in a New England regional tournament first round tomorrow afternoon at 2 at Southbridge. The winner will move into the semi-finals at Stamford, Conn., Saturday, Aug. 8.

The Nationals, winners of four straight tournament contests since they were banded together little more than a week ago, will be at full pitching strength. State Commissioner Colin A. Keegan of this city disclosed today that both Bobby Quadrozzi and Jim Walsh will be eligible to work tomorrow.

Quadrozzi To Start

National LBL regulations prohibit a boy from working in successive regular season or tournament games. That would mean Walsh, who pitched against Northampton in the second game of the state tournament at Leominster Tuesday, would not be available at Southbridge.

However, Keegan has been advised by the New England rules committee that Walsh will be eligible, because this is a different tournament.

It's likely that Quadrozzi will start. In two appearances in tournament play, he has beaten Adams 2-0 and Fitchburg 19-6. He's a right-hander. Walsh has won from the Pittsfield Americans 3-2 and Northampton 6-3. He also is right-handed.

The Nationals have held several drills since their sweep at Leominster. Rev. John Murphy and Dick Zaccari, the coaches, report the team is in fine fettle.

The usual combination will open. This means Mike Tully, catch, Jack Navin, first base, Phil Gregory, second base, Tom Denno, shortstop, Bobby Bennett, third base, Alan Clayson, left field, Benny Nogueira, center field, and Charles (Butch) LeClair, right field.

A large delegations of officials, parents and friends is expected to attend the game.

Bristol Beats Pittsfield 8-4 in L.B.L. Tournament

8/3/53

Locals Protest Opponent's Lack Of Identification—Weird Running Kills Several Pittsfield Chances

By ROGER O'GARA

SOUTHBRIDGE — Unless New England Little Bigger League officials decide that Bristol committed an unpardonable crime in failing to present complete identification papers, the Rhode Island champions will compete in the regional tournament semifinals next week end at Stamford, Conn. That's because they handily defeated Pittsfield's Massachusetts titlists 8-4 in a first-round game at Dresser Field here Saturday afternoon.

Pittsfield filed a technical protest prior to the start of play. Bristol's adult representatives hadn't complied with regulations which call for birth certificates and photographs of all squad members.

It's a moot question, however, as to whether Bristol's lack in the paper department was as serious as Pittsfield's omissions on the field, more particularly, the base paths. The Massachusetts team was guilty of weird running.

Lead-Off Man Homers

Bristol led all the way after lead-off man John Furtado homered in the top of the first inning. He put right-hander Jim Walsh's second pitch over the left field fence.

Pittsfield had several threats in the making, but irrational movements by runners helped southpaw Ray Cordiero, who went the route for Bristol. Pittsfield boys twice tried to steal third base while Cordiero was standing on the mound with the ball. Both naturally committed suicide.

Bristol had a big edge in poise. It was guilty of only one jittery sequence. That came in the fifth inning, when Pittsfield was trying to rally from the under side of a 5-2 count. Even here Pittsfield pulled a rock which helped to stifle the uprising.

Cordiero Fans Eight

Cordiero mixed a medium fast ball with an occasional low curve to strike out eight. He walked five, but didn't have to pay the normal penalty for wildness, because Pittsfield was so indiscreet on the bases.

Walsh was victimized by poor support. Only four of the opposition's runs were earned. Walsh was withdrawn after he had allowed seven hits in six innings. Right-hander Bob Mazzeo finished, and escaped damage, although he was reached for two singles in the seventh.

Bristol led 3-0 before Pittsfield scored twice in the third. Singles by Phil Gregory and Alan Clayson, an error and an infield out brought the runs.

The outburst raised Pittsfield hopes, but they started to vanish in the fifth when singles by Mike Venditulli, Tony Di Robbio and Cordiero were mixed with two throwing errors for a pair of runs.

Pittsfield scored once in the fifth on a single by Bobby Bennett and three errors. Bristol started to throw the ball around in this turn, but a Pittsfield runner was caught dozing off second base.

Bristol widened its margin to 8-3 in the sixth on Venditulli's three-run homer over the left field barrier. Jack Navin cleared the same section of fence to complete Pittsfield's scoring in the sixth.

Pittsfield threatened in the seventh. Gregory opened with a ringing single, but was forced by Bennett. Jim Denno doubled to center. However, Clayson struck out, and Mike Tully's hard drive was right at right fielder Joe Santoes.

Gregory was Pittsfield's batting star with three solid singles. Venditulli and Bob Leahy had two hits apiece for Bristol, whose edge in this column was only nine to eight.

The Bristol team was an all-county unit. It had representatives of teams in Bristol, Barrington and Warren. The score:

BRISTOL

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Furtado, 3b	5	2	1	3	5	3
Sansone, ss	4	0	0	1	0	0
Venditulli, 1b	3	3	2	4	0	1
Di Robbio, c	3	1	1	8	1	0
Santoes, rf	4	0	0	2	1	0
Cordiero, p	3	0	1	0	4	0
Andrade, 2b	4	0	1	3	0	1
Cabral, lf	4	1	1	0	0	0
Leahy, cf	4	1	2	0	0	0
	34	8	9	21	11	5

PITTSFIELD

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Gregory, 2b	4	1	3	2	1	1
Bennett, 3b	4	2	1	0	2	1
Quadrozzi, ss	1	0	0	1	1	3
Denno, ss	2	0	1	1	0	0
Clayson, lf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Tully, c	2	0	0	7	0	0
Navin, 1b	2	1	1	7	0	0
LeClair, rf	3	0	0	1	0	1
Shea, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nogueira, cf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Walsh, p	3	0	1	0	2	0
Mazzeo, p	0	0	0	1	0	0
x-Mitchell	0	0	0	0	0	0
	27	4	8	21	6	6

x-Ran for Bennett in 7th.

Bristol	111	023	0—8
Pittsfield	002	011	0—4

Runs batted in, Furtado, Venditulli 3, Cordiero, Quadrozzi, Clayson, Navin. Two base hits, Denno. Home runs, Furtado, Venditulli, Navin. Stolen bases, Furtado 2, Venditulli, Cordiero, Gregory, Bennett, Clayson. Double plays, Santoes, Furtado and Andrade. Left on bases, Bristol 8, Pittsfield 7. Base on balls, off Cordiero 5, Walsh 2. Struck out, by Cordiero, 8, Walsh 5, Mazzeo 1. Hits, off Walsh 7 in 6 innings; off Mazzeo 2 in 1 inning. Hit by pitcher, by Walsh (Venditulli). Wild pitches, Walsh 4. Passed balls, Tully. Losing pitcher, Walsh. Umpires, Wallace, Volpini, Abrahamson and Serment. Time, 2h, 2m.

Stella Is Sick

Stagg's Career Ends Because Wife Is Ill

STOCKTON, Calif. (AP)—Amos Alonzo Stagg, football's grand old man, says his 63-year coaching career appears ended because of the illness of his wife Stella—"the best assistant a coach ever had."

The venerable 91-year-old mentor said today he would not return to his advisory post at Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, Pa., due to Mrs. Stagg's health.

"My buddy, the mainstay and center of my life for 59 years, needs me," said Stagg. "I will stay by her in every way."

Mrs. Stagg, who will be 78 Friday, suffered a nervous breakdown several months ago. Her heart is also in a weakened condition.

Stagg had assisted his son, Amos Alonzo Jr., at Susquehanna since 1947, including an unbeaten 1951 season.

"I've had 63 years of coaching. If I can't have another," he explained, "it is all right. If it is God's will, so be it. I won't be faithless to my buddy. It would be nice to continue coaching, but it seems unlikely."

L.B.L. Teams Resume Slate Here Monday

8/1/53

Double-Headers To Be Postponed If Nationals Win

Pittsfield Little Bigger League teams will resume their regular schedule Monday night. Games will be played at Deming Field and Wahconah Park each evening.

Double-headers are scheduled at both parks Saturday, but will be postponed if the Pittsfield Nationals, state L.B.L. champions defeat the Rhode Island entry in the first round of the New England playoffs today and play at Stamford, Conn., next week.

The schedule:

Monday, at Deming—St. Mary's vs Rams.
At Wahconah—VFW vs Besse-Clarke.
Tuesday, at Deming—Optimists Club vs Jets.
At Wahconah—Polish Falcons vs Bill Sable's.
Wednesday, at Deming—St. Mary's vs Rams.
At Clapp—VFW vs Besse-Clarke.
Thursday, at Deming—Optimists Club vs Bill Sable's.
At Clapp—Polish Falcons vs Jets.
Friday, at Deming—Rams vs Jets.
At Clapp—Besse-Clarke vs Bill Sable's.
Saturday, at Deming—First game, St. Mary's and Polish Falcons.
Second game—VFW and Optimists.
Saturday, at Clapp—First game, Besse-Clarke and Jets.
Second game—Rams and Bill Sable's.

St. Mary's Tops Rams in L.B.L. Loop

8/4/53

VFW Defeats Besse-Clarke In Other Game

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDING

American Division

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	9	4	.692
Rams	9	6	.600
Besse-Clarke	6	8	.429
Jets	5	9	.357

National Division

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Mary's	11	4	.733
VFW	10	6	.625
Polish Falcons	6	8	.429
Optimists	2	13	.133

St. Mary's defeated the Rams, 3-1, at Deming Field, and the VFW topped Besse-Clarke, 7-4, at Wahconah Park, in a pair of Little Bigger League games last night.

St. Mary's collected five hits off Dave Scholz to score once in the first and twice in the sixth. Benny Nogueira of the winners held the opposition to four safeties as a single run scored in the first inning.

Scholz struck out six men and walked five, while Nogueira passed six and fanned five. Pete Mitchell of the winners knocked the only extra-base hit—a triple.

The VFW earned nine hits off starter Genzabella to score four runs in the third came on three in the fourth. John Bresnahan yielded three hits as Besse-Clarke tallied twice in the second and twice in the sixth. Al Clayson of the winners belted a pair of doubles and drove in four runs. The four runs in the8 third came on three singles and a pair of doubles.

Bresnahan struck out 10 batters and walked five, while Genzabella fanned seven and passed five.

The scores:

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	2	0	0	1	2	0
Gregory, 2b	3	0	1	3	3	0
Bennett, 3b	3	2	1	5	3	0
Mitchell, c	3	1	2	6	0	0
LeClair, lf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Nogueira, p	3	0	0	0	3	1
Mazzeo, cf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Pires, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lennon, 1b	3	0	0	4	0	0
Viner, 1b	0	0	0	2	0	0
Greenleaf, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Hebler, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
	25	3	5	21	11	1

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Connolly, lf	4	1	2	1	0	0
Clark, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Gamberoni, cf	3	0	0	0	1	0
Manship, c	2	0	1	6	2	0
Seeley, 3b	4	0	0	1	1	0
Scholz, p	2	0	1	0	5	1
Montilone, ss	2	0	0	3	1	1
Lee, 1b	3	0	0	9	0	0
Radke, 2b	2	0	0	1	4	1
	25	1	4	21	14	3

St. Mary's	100	002	0—3
Rams	100	000	0—1

Runs batted in, Mitchell 2, LeClair, Seeley. Three base hit, Mitchell. Stoeln bases, Nogueira. Double plays, Montilone (unassisted), Nogueira to Bennett to Gregory. Left on bases, St. Mary's 5, Rams 10. Base on balls, off Scholz 5, Nogueira 6. Struck out, by Scholz 6, Nogueira 5. Hit by pitcher, by Nogueira (Gamberoni). Winning pitcher, Benny Nogueira. Umpires, Harrison and Knox. Time, 1h, 30m.

VFW 448

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pulaski, 1b, ss	4	1	0	4	0	0
Heidel, lf	3	2	1	1	0	0
Denno, ss, 1b	3	1	2	0	2	0
Clayson, cf	4	2	2	0	0	1
Tully, 3b	2	1	1	0	0	1
Walsh, c	3	0	2	10	1	3
Clancy, rf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Rote, 2b	2	0	0	0	0	1
Burzamati, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bresnahan, p	2	0	1	2	1	0
	26	7	9	18	4	6

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Douglas, cf	3	0	0	0	1	0
Schmaizel, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Cohen, 1b	2	0	0	8	0	0
Genezebella, p	3	0	1	0	5	0
Brindle, ss	2	2	1	3	1	0
Venti, c	3	1	1	7	0	0
Seigel, 3b	1	1	0	0	0	0
Mendel, 2b, rf	3	0	0	0	1	0
Williams, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Griffin, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
	22	4	3	18	8	0

VFW 448	004	030	0—7
Besse-Clarke	020	002	0—4

Runs batted in, Clayson 4, Tully, Walsh. Two base hits, Clayson 2, Tully. Stolen bases, Brindle, Seigel, Denno. Left on bases, Besse-Clarke 6, VFW 6. Base on balls, off Bresnahan 5, Genezebella 5. Struck out, by Bresnahan 10, Genezebella 7. Passed balls, Venti 2. Winning pitcher, John Bresnahan. Umpires, Holden and Gans. Time, 2h.

St. Mary's Tops Rams In L.B. Play

8/6/53

Besse-Clarke Forfeits Game To VFW Team

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDING

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	9	5	.643
Rams	9	6	.563
Besse-Clarke	6	9	.400
Jets	6	9	.400

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Mary's	12	4	.750
VFW	11	6	.647
Polish Falcons	7	8	.467
Optimists	2	14	.125

St. Mary's, current leader in the Little Bigger League National division, topped the Rams, 10-6, in a game last night at Deming Field.

Another game scheduled at Clapp Park between the VFW and Besse-Clarke was forfeited to the VFW when only eight members of the Besse-Clarke squad showed up. This was the second contest forfeited in two days.

St. Mary's collected 11 safeties off Ed Connelly and scored once in the second, twice in the third, four times in the fifth, once in the sixth and twice in the seventh.

The Rams, meanwhile, were held to only four hits by Jimmy Basiliere and scored twice in the second, three times in the third and once in the seventh. Nogueira and Bennett shared mound duties with Basiliere and they combined to strike out eight men and pass nine. Connolly, however, went the distance for the losers, fanning four and walking four.

Bud Pellerin and Ike Lennox were credited with the only extra-base hits of the game. Both belted doubles.

The score:

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	3	1	1	0	0	1
Gregory, 2b	4	1	2	4	3	0
Bennett, 3b, p	4	1	1	1	3	1
Mitchell, c	0	0	0	0	1	1
Viner, 1b	1	0	1	1	0	0
Greenleaf, rf	1	1	0	0	0	0
LeClair, lf	4	2	2	0	0	0
Nogueira, cf, p, 3b	3	3	2	1	2	0
Mazzeo, rf, 1b	4	1	0	5	1	1
Lennon, 1b, c	4	0	2	9	1	0
Basiliere, p	1	0	0	0	0	1
Hebler, cf	3	0	0	0	0	0
	32	10	11	21	11	5

RAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Connolly, p	2	0	0	0	2	0
Dougherty, rf	3	1	0	3	1	0
Gamberoni, cf	4	1	1	2	1	0
Manship, c	2	1	0	6	0	1
Scholz, lf	2	1	0	0	0	0
Seeley, 3b	2	1	0	1	1	3
Clark, 2b	4	1	1	3	3	0
Lee, 1b	3	0	0	6	0	1
Montilione, ss	4	0	1	0	1	0
*Reilley, 1	1	0	0	0	0	0
†Pullaro	1	0	1	0	0	0
	28	6	4	21	9	5

St. Mary's	012	041	2—10
Rams	023	000	1— 6

*Struck out for Connolly in seventh.

†Singled for Lee in seventh.

Runs batted in: Nogueri 2, Lennon 2, Viner, Bennett, Scholz, Clark 2, Montilione. Two-base hits: Pellerin, Lennon. Home run, Nogueira. Stolen bases: Bennett, Dougherty, Gamberoni 2, Seeley, Clark, Lee, Montilione 2. Double plays: Dougherty and Lee; Connolly, Clark and Lee. Left on bases: Rams 10, St. Mary's 5. Base on balls, off Connolly 4, off Basiliere 3; off Bennett 3, off Nogueira 3. Struck out, by Connolly 4, by Nogueira 5, by Bennett 1, by Basiliere 2. Hits, off Basiliere 1 in 1/3 innings, off Bennett 0 in 1, off Nogueira 3 in 3 2/3. Hit by pitcher, by Connolly (Pellerin), by Nogueira (Scholz). Winning pitcher: Bob Bennett. Losing pitcher: Ed Connolly. Umpires: Knox and Thompson. Time of game: 2h, 10m.

Jets Defeat Falcons, 6-4, At Clapp Park

8/7/53

Sable's, Optimists Battle to Tie In LBL Game

The Jets polished off the Polish Falcons, 6-4, at Clapp Park, while Bill Sable's and the Optimist Club battled to an 11-11 tie at Deming Field in a pair of Little Bigger League games last night. The Sable's-Optimist contest was finally called because of darkness.

The Jets were held to four hits by pitchers John Hyland and Wayne Goodrich, yet scored twice in the third, twice in the fourth and twice more in the sixth. The Falcons, collecting six safeties off Costanza and Joe Mole, scored three in the third and one in the sixth.

Mole and Costanza struck out four men and passed 10, while Goodrich and Hyland fanned four and walked seven. Costanzo, Paul DeCroce and Mole each doubled while Hyland tripled for the game's only extra-base hits. Hyland's triple in the third drove in three runs.

Sable's, on 10 hits off Keegan, scored three in the first, six in the second and two in the fourth. The Optimists, on only four hits off pitchers Chris Gilson and MacDonald, tallied four times in the second, twice in the third, once in the fourth and tied up the game with four in the sixth.

Gilson and MacDonald fanned three men and walked 12, while Keegan fanned four and passed only six.

Perry and Tuggey doubled, while Navin and Dwyer tripled.

The scores:

JETS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bonaquisti, 3b	3	0	1	2	5	0
McLaughlin, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
McColgan, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Murphy, 2b	2	0	1	0	0	0
Gable, c	4	0	0	6	0	0
Plouffe, cf	1	1	0	2	0	0
Constanza, lf, p	1	1	0	1	0	0
Portieri, ss	3	0	0	0	2	0
McKeever, 2b, rf, 3b	1	1	0	0	2	0
Butler, 1b	0	1	0	6	0	0
Woodin, 1b	1	1	0	1	0	0
Procopio, 1b	0	0	0	3	0	0
Mole, p, lf	2	1	2	0	3	0
	20	6	4	21	12	0

POLISH FALCONS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
DiCroce, rf	4	0	1	1	0	0
Graham, 2b	2	1	1	3	1	0
Shea, ss	4	0	0	2	3	1
Quadrozzi, 3b	1	2	0	3	0	0
Goodrich, cf, p	4	1	2	1	6	0
Canzano, lf	2	0	1	0	0	0
Hyland, p, cf	3	0	1	0	3	0
Reinhold, 1b	2	0	0	7	0	0
Bruno, c	3	0	0	4	0	0
	25	4	6	21	13	1

Jets	002	202	0—6
Polish Falcons	003	001	0—4

Runs batted in, Hyland 3, Mole 2, Woodin, Gable, Canzano. Three base hit, Hyland. Stolen bases, Plouffe 3, Constanzo, McKeever, Quadrozzi, Canzano, Reinhold. Sacrifices, Graham, Canzano, McKeever. Double plays, Goodrich to Shea, Graham to Shea to Reinhold. Left on bases, Polish Falcons 13, Jets 3. Base on balls, off Goodrich 1, Hyland 6, Constanzo 1, Mole 10. Struck out, by Goodrich 2, Mole 4. Hits, off Goodrich 0 in 2 innings; off Hyland 4 in 5 innings; off Constanzo 0 in 2/3 innings. Balk, Hyland. Winning pitcher, Joe Mole. Losing pitcher, John Hyland. Umpires, Garivaltis and Harrison. Time, 1h, 45m.

BILL SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Dellert, 2b	3	1	0	1	1	0
Gilbert, c	0	0	0	2	0	0
Perry, cf, 1b	2	2	1	0	0	0
Lee, 3b	3	2	1	1	2	1
Gilson, 1b, p	4	2	2	7	1	0
Heidel, lf	4	2	3	2	1	0
Tuggey, rf	2	0	2	0	0	0
Stanton, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
MacDonald, p, 2b	3	1	0	0	1	1
Starkey, ss	3	0	1	3	1	1
Gallagher, c, 2b, p, cf	2	1	0	2	0	0
	28	11	10	18	7	3

OPTIMIST CLUB

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Lake, 3b	1	2	0	2	3	0
Vollinger, lf	3	1	0	1	0	1
Brown, 2b	2	0	0	1	1	0
Keegan, p	1	2	0	0	1	1
Dwyer, cf	3	3	1	3	0	0
Navin, 1b	4	1	2	4	0	0
Robarge, c	4	1	1	6	2	0
DelGallo, ss	1	1	0	1	0	1
Kahn, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
	21	11	4	18	7	3

Bill Sable's	360	200	—11
Optimists	042	104	—11

Runs batted in, Navin 5, Dwyer, Robarge, Perry, Lee 2, Gilson, Heidel, Tuggey 2. Two base hits—Perry, Tuggey. Three base hits, Navin, Dwyer. Home run, Navin. Stolen bases, Keegan 3, Lake 2, Dwyer, Robarge, Perry 2, Lee, Tuggey 2, MacDonald. Sacrifice, Brown. Left on bases, Bill Sable's 5, Otimist Club 5. Base on balls, off Bill Sable's pitchers 12, Keegan 6. Struck out, by Bill Sable's pitchers 3, Keegan 4. Balk, MacDonald. Umpires, Knox and Thompson. Time, 1h, 50m.

Ricchi's Beats Eaton Paper in Park League

8/8/53

Ricchi's Sunoco topped Eaton Paper, 8-1, in a Park Department Softball League game at Deming Field last night. John Perry tossed a two-hitter as Ricchi's avenged an earlier defeat by Eaton Paper. Perry had a no-hitter working until the seventh when the opposition banged out a pair of hits and scored its only run. Eddie DeAngelo with two safeties and Don Heidel with three led the Ricchi attack.

St. Mary's Tops Falcons To Keep Lead

8/10/53

VFW, Bill Sable's, And Besse-Clarke Also Win Games

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

American Division

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	11	5	.688
Rams	9	9	.500
Jets	8	10	.444
Besse-Clarke	7	10	.412

National Division

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Mary's	13	4	.765
VFW	12	6	.667
Polish Falcons	7	10	.412
Optimists Club	2	15	.118

St. Mary's, the national division leader, edged the Polish Falcons, 11-8, and the VFW downed the Optimists Club, 9-2, in a Little Bigger League double-header yesterday afternoon at Deming Field.

On Saturday at Clapp Park, Besse-Clarke easily tripped the Jets, 16-5, in the opener, while Bill Sable's beat the Rams on a forfeit. The Rams showed up with only eight players.

St. Mary's gathered 11 hits, including homers by Phil Gregory and Bobby Bennett, off Bob Quadrozzi to score twice in the first, four times in the third and five times in the fifth. The Falcons, meanwhile, collected 10 safeties off Mazzeo to score one in the first, three in the third, once in the fifth and three in the seventh. Although well tagged, Quadrozzi fanned 12 batters.

The VFW launched a 14-hit attack on Pansecchi to score three in the first, one in the second, three in the third and one more in both the fourth and fifth. Jimmy Walsh played an important part in the victory as he limited the Optimists to one hit. The losers' pair of runs crossed in the third and fourth.

Besse-Clarke pounded out 14 hits as it scored seven in the second, three in the third and six in the fifth. The Jets, on six knocks, tallied three in the fifth and two in the sixth. The scores:

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	4	1	1	1	1	0
Gregory, 2b	3	2	2	3	4	0
Ormsbee, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bennett, 3b	3	3	2	0	1	0
Mitchell, c	3	1	0	11	0	1
LeClair, lf	3	1	2	0	1	0
Nogueira, cf	4	2	2	0	0	0
Mazzeo, rf, p	3	0	2	0	1	0
Greenleaf, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lennon, 1b	3	0	0	6	0	1
Hebler, 1b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Basiliere, p, rf, p	2	1	0	0	2	1
	28	11	11	21	10	3

POLISH FALCONS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Dicroce, cf	3	2	0	0	0	0
Powers, rf	0	1	0	0	0	0
Reinhold, rf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Goodrich, 3b	3	2	2	0	0	0
Quadrozzi, p	3	2	3	0	0	0
Shea, ss	4	1	2	1	0	1
Bruno, c	4	0	1	12	1	1
Canzano, lf	2	0	2	0	0	1
Graham, 1b	4	0	0	2	0	0
Sadlowski, 2b	3	0	0	2	1	0
	28	8	10	18	2	3

St. Mary's	204	500 —11
Polish Falcons	103	010 3— 8

Runs batted in, Gregory 2, Bennett 2, LeClair 2, Mazzeo, Shea 3, Quadrozzi 2. Two base hits, Pellerin, Bennett. Three base hit, Shea. Home runs, Bennett, Gregory. Stolen bases, LeClair, Nogueira. Left on bases, St. Mary's 4, Polish Falcons 6. Base on balls, off Quadrozzi 5, Mazzeo 1, Bassiliere 8, Mazzeo 3. Hits, off Mazzeo 1 in 2 innings; off Basiliere 9 in 5 innings. Winning pitcher, Joe Basiliere. Losing pitcher, Bob Quadrozzi. Umpires, Thompson and Knox. Time, 2h.

VFW 448

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pulaski, 3b	3	1	1	0	0	0
Denno, ss	4	2	3	2	1	0
Walsh, p	4	1	3	0	1	0
Clayson, cf	1	0	1	1	0	0
Mason, cf	2	0	1	0	0	0
Tully, c	4	2	2	7	4	1
Bresnahan, rf	3	0	2	0	0	0
Clancy, 1b	3	1	0	7	0	0
Heidel, lf	3	1	1	1	0	0
Rote, 2b	2	1	0	0	1	1
Balmer, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0
	29	9	14	18	7	2

OPTIMISTS CLUB

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bigelow, lf	2	0	0	2	0	0
Brown, 2b	2	0	0	3	1	2
Dwyer, cf	2	1	0	0	0	0
Navin, 1b	3	0	0	2	0	0
Robarge, c	3	0	1	4	0	1
DelGallo, 3b	1	0	0	2	2	1
Kahn, ss	1	1	0	1	3	0
Prentice, rf	2	0	0	0	0	1
Pansecchi, p	2	0	0	0	1	0
	18	2	1	15	7	5

VFW	313	11 —9
Optimist Club	001	100—2

Runs batted in, Walsh 4, Denno 2, Bresnahan. Two base hits, Walsh, Clayson, Heidel. Home run, Denno. Stolen bases, Denno 2, Tully, Bresnahan, Clancy, Heidel, Kahn 2. Double plays, Kahn, Brown to Navin. Left on bases, VFW 448, 8, Optimist Club 4. Base on balls, off Walsh 4, Pansecchi 3. Struck out, by Walsh 8, Pansechhi 2. Hit by pitcher, by Walsh (Dwyer). Winning pitcher, Jim Walsh. Losing pitcher, Charlie Pansecchi. Umpires, Knox and Thompson. Time, 1h, 55m.

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Douglas, 2b	4	2	3	2	3	0
Seigel, 3b, c	5	2	1	3	1	1
Cohen, p	4	2	2	0	0	0
Genzebella, ss	3	2	2	3	3	0
Brindle, c, 3b	3	2	1	3	1	0
Venti, cf	4	2	3	0	0	0
Schmaizel, lf	3	2	2	2	0	0
Mendel, 1b	4	0	0	5	0	0
Kazaka, rf	3	2	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	16	14	18	8	1

JETS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Murphy, 2b	3	1	0	2	1	0
McKeever, ss	2	1	1	0	4	1
Constanzo, 3b, p	3	0	2	1	2	0
Plouffe, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Gable, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mole, p, lf, cf	3	0	0	0	0	0
McColgan, 1b, rf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Roach, c	1	1	0	3	2	2
Procopio, cf, 1b	3	2	2	7	0	1
Butler, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Woodin, 3b	2	0	1	1	2	1
x-McLaughlin	1	0	0	0	0	0
	23	5	6	15	11	5

Besse-Clarke	073	06 —16
Jets	000	032— 5

Runs batted in, Constanzo 3, Woodin 2, Cohen 4, Genzebella, Venti 3, Schmaizel 3, Kazaka. Two base hits, Woodin, Brindle, Venti. Three base hit, Constanzo. Home runs, Venti, Cohen, Schmaizel. Double plays, Genzebella, Douglas to Mendel. Left on bases, Jets 5, Besse-Clarke 7. Base on balls, off Cohen 5, Mole 2, Constanzo 3. Struck out, by Cohen 4, Mole 1, Constanzo 5. Hits, off Mole 4 in 1 2/3 innings; off Constanzo 10 in 4 1/3 innings. Winning pitcher, Dave Cohen. Losing pitcher, Joe Mole. Umpires, Holden and Balmer. Time, 1h, 55m.

Majestics Will Have Busy Week

8/10/53

The Majestics will have two games early this week before opposing the Brooklyn Dodgers' Stars of Tomorrow at Wahconah Park Thursday night at 8.15, Coach Dan Healy disclosed today. They will meet Williamstown at Williamstown tonight and Hoosick Falls, N.Y., at Bennington, Vt., tomorrow night.

The club will be seeking its third straight win at the expense of Williamstown. The first two games were played in Bennington. Southpaw Larry Bossidy will pitch for the Majestics at Williamstown, Healy said, with right-hander Denny Cohen going against Hoosick Falls.

Bossidy, Cohen and right-hander Bruce Robarge will divide the work Thursday night in that order, according to Healy. In a 6-4 win over the Brooklyn outfit at Bennington several weeks ago, Cohen started, Bossidy went the middle three and Robarge finished.

VFW Blanks Jets, 12-0

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Remaining Games Scheduled at Deming Field

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	11	5	.688
Rams	9	9	.500
Jets	8	11	.421
Besse-Clarke	7	10	.412

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Mary's	13	4	.765
VFW	13	6	.684
Polish Falcons	7	10	.412
Optimists	2	15	.133

The powerful VFW blanked the Jets, 12-0, in a Little Bigger League game at Deming Field last night. Johnny Bresnahan held the Jets to two hits, while the VFW collected nine to score 11 runs in the fourth and one in the fifth.

In the disastrous fourth, the winners rapped out seven singles, which, along with a sacrifice and four walks, scored the runs.

The only remaining games on the schedule will be played at Deming. They are: Bill Sable's vs. St. Mary's tomorrow night, VFW vs. Polish Falcons Thursday, St. Mary's vs. Jets Friday, and St. Mary's vs. Polish Falcons Saturday.

VFW 448

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pulaski, 2b	3	1	1	1	0	0
Burzamati, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Heidel, lf	1	1	0	0	0	0
Denno, ss	2	2	1	0	2	0
Clayson, cf	4	1	1	0	0	0
Tully, c, 3b	4	1	1	4	0	1
Walsh, 3b, c	3	2	1	4	1	0
Bresnahan, p	4	1	2	3	3	0
Clancy, 1b	3	2	1	5	0	0
Mason, rf	2	1	1	0	0	0
Balmer, rf	1	0	0	1	0	0
	28	12	9	18	6	1

JETS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McKeever, 2b	2	0	0	4	1	0
Murphy, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bonaquisti, 3b	1	0	0	2	3	1
Constanzo, lf, ss	3	0	0	0	2	0
Plouffe, cf, lf	1	0	0	2	0	1
Gable, c	1	0	0	2	0	1
Roach, c	0	0	0	1	0	0
Portieri, ss, 3b	2	0	0	1	3	0
Mole, p	2	0	0	1	4	2
McColgan, 1b	1	0	1	3	0	0
Procopio, rf	1	0	1	0	0	0
Butler, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
McLaughlin, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Woodin, 1b	1	0	0	2	0	0
	18	0	2	18	15	5

VFW 448 ..... 000.1110—12

Runs batted in, Pulaski, Denno, Clayson 2, Tully, Bresnahan 2, Mason. Stolen bases, Plouffe, Pulaski, Tully, Walsh. Sacrifice, Mason. Double play, Bresnahan to Clancy 2. Left on bases, Jets 3, VFW 7. Base on balls, off Bresnahan 3, Mole 8. Struck out, by Bresnahan 5, Mole 3. Winning pitcher, Bresnahan. Losing pitcher, Mole. Umpires, Thompson and Holden. Time, 1h, 40m.

Brady's Tops Eagles' Team In Park Loop

Brady's Market topped the Eagles, 5-3, and Stanley's Grill shut out the GE Drafters, 5-0, in a pair of Park Department Softball League contests at Deming Field last night.

Bill Jacacky allowed six hits as Brady's racked up its win. Gene Pomerleay and Joe Guarda had two safeties each while Ed Cooke collected a pair for the losers. Bobby Collins of Brady's and Sam DePasquale of the Eagles played well defensively.

The Stanley's victory was earned after the game was called in the second inning when one of the players of the Drafters team was injured and no replacement could be found.

The Eagles and E. D. Jones will meet on diamond No. 2, while England Brothers and Honiker's Service Station play on diamond No. 3, in two games tonight at 6.30.

Pittsfield Baseball

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Pittsfield, Aug. 11—VFW defeated Jets 12 to 0 in the Little Bigger League tonight at Deming Park. Outstanding for the victors was John Bresnahan who had two singles and pitched a two-hit game. Starring for the losers were Marty McColgan and Roger Procopio who each had singles. Score by innings:

VFW	0	0	0	11	1	0	—12	9	1
Jets	0	0	0	0	0	0	— 0	2	5

Barries Bresnahan and Tully, Walsh, Mole and Gable, Roach.

Bill Sables defeated St. Mary's 10-4 in the Little Bigger League tonight at Deming Park. Leading the offensive for the victors were Dick Lee who had a single, triple and home run and five runs batted in. Dick Heidel who had two triples and Chris Gilson who had a home run. Score by innings:

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Sables	0	7	0	0	3	—10	9	0
St. Mary's	3	0	0	0	1	— 4	3	2

Perry and Gilbert; Noguelra and Mitchell.

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Majestics, Brooklyn Stars Meet Tonight at Wahconah

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Young Dodgers To Use Best Pitchers In Attempt To Avenge Loss—Robarge And Cohen To Divide Mound Work

Seeking to avenge the 6-4 loss at Bennington, Vt., several weeks ago, the Brooklyn Dodgers' Stars of Tomorrow are expected to use their top pitchers in the return meeting with the Pittsfield Majestics at Wahconah Park tonight at 8.15. It will be the Majestics' final local appearance before they leave Monday morning for the All-American amateur tournament at Johnstown, Pa.

Southpaws Eddie Picker and Hank Catherwood are rated as the best of the five-man Brooklyn staff. Picker, who is only 17, pitched Clinton High to the Greater New York championship. Catherwood threw three no-hitters for South Huntington High.

Southpaw Bob Thuemmel of Englewood, N.J., and right-hander Hank Klosowski divided the slab work in the first meeting.

Cream of School Players

The Dodgers are the cream of the interscholastic players in the five boroughs of New York and New Jersey. Fifteen boys were chosen after intensive tryouts.

The Stars of Tomorrow have been on tour since July 28. They have played in upper New York, New England, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Their roster lists Picker, Catherwood, Thuemmel, Klosowski and Dan McCarthy of Bishop Loughlin High, pitchers; Gordon Koehler of Perth Amboy, N.J., and Robert Weitzman of Oyster Bay, catchers; Thomas Carroll of Bishop Loughlin, Anthony Frulio of Lafayette, Howard Solow of Fort Hamilton, Raymond Holland of Cardinal Hayes, and Alan Levine of James Madison, infielders; and George Alexanko of Thomas Jefferson, Frank Incontrera of New Utrecht and Charles Soraci of John Adams, outfielders.

Coach Dan Healy of the Majestics expects to use right-handers Denny Cohen and Bruce Robarge. Southpaw Larry Bossidy originally was figured to work the first three innings, but he will be in Springfield at a practice session of the Westinghouse team, with whom he will fly tomorrow to the national semipro tournament at Wichita, Kan. He'll rejoin the Majestics at Johnstown next Thursday.

Tourney Trip Fund

All proceeds of tonight's game will be applied to a fund to defray expenses of the trip to Johnstown. This will be Pittsfield's seventh year at the tournament. It won in 1949 and 1952, made creditable showings in 1947 and 1948, and suffered early eliminations in 1950 and 1951.

Healy will start his regular tournament team. This includes Jack Thompson, first base, Dick DiOrio, second base, George Gallagher, shortstop, Jack Brennan, third base, Bob Boyd Jr., left field, Bob Traversa, center field, Charley Garivaltis, right field, and Joe Spadafora, catcher. Spadafora will be followed by Dick Donati and Louis Barlow.

Bill Sable's Wins Over St. Mary's

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American-division leader Bill Sable's launched a nine-hit attack at Deming Field last night to defeat St. Mary's, the national division leader, 10-4.

Sable's Don Perry held the opposition to three hits as the winners scored seven runs in the second and three in the fifth. St. Mary's four runs came in the first and fifth.

The game was called after five innings because of impending darkness.

Perry worked effectively in earning his seventh straight win as he struck out seven men and walked nine. Benny Nogueira going the route for the losers fanned seven and walked eight.

The score:

BILL SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, 2b	0	2	0	0	2	0
Dellert, 3b	2	1	0	1	0	0
Gallagher, lf	1	0	0	1	0	0
Lee, cf, 3b	4	2	3	0	1	0
Gilson, 1b	3	1	1	4	0	0
Heidel, lf, cf	4	0	2	3	0	0
MacDonald, rf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Phillips, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Starkey, ss	1	1	0	0	0	0
Gilbert, c	3	1	1	6	2	0
Perry, p	3	1	1	0	2	0
	25	10	9	15	7	0

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	3	0	1	0	1	1
Gregory, 2b	2	1	0	0	3	1
Bennett, 3b	3	1	0	0	0	0
Mitchell, c	0	1	0	8	1	0
LeClair, lf	2	1	2	0	0	0
Nogueira, p	3	0	0	1	1	0
Mazzeo, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lennon, 1b	2	0	0	5	0	0
Greenleaf, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Pires, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hebler, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Basiliere, rf	0	0	0	1	0	0
	18	4	3	15	6	2

Bill Sable's	070	03—10
St. Mary's	300	01— 4

Runs batted in, LeClair 2, Lee 5, Dellert, Gilson, Heidel, Gilbert. Two-base hit, LeClair. Three-base hits, Heidel 2, Lee. Home runs, Lee, Gilson. Stolen bases, Pellerin, Gregory, Bennett, Mitchell, Perry. Left on bases, St. Mary's 9, Bill Sable's 8. Base on balls, off Perry 9, Nogueira 8. Struck out, by Perry 7, Nogueira 7. Hit by pitcher, by Perry (Mazzeo). Winning pitcher, Perry. Losing pitcher, Nogueira. Umpires, Knox and Gans. Time, 1h, 40m.

Worthwhile Attraction

FAIR OR FOUL

By Roger O'Gara

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BROOKLYN AND Pittsfield have but one thing in common. Each twice has won the All-America amateur baseball tournament at Johnstown, Pa. No other city has done that. And the field since the event was started shortly after World War II has included such large population places as New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, New Orleans, Newark and Washington.

Thus one would conclude that a Brooklyn-Pittsfield baseball meeting in Pittsfield six days before the start of the tournament should be a big draw. One would, that is, unless he happened to know that the city's genuine baseball fans are outnumbered by those who swear allegiance and support only to the Red Sox and the Yankees.

This is by way of saying that the game at Wahconah Park tonight between the Pittsfield Majestics and the Brooklyn Dodgers' Stars of Tomorrow should be supported, at least for two reasons. It shapes up as an excellent attraction. And the proceeds are for a very worthy cause — sending the Majestics back to distant Johnstown to defend the title they won a year ago. The Brass Rail of Pittsfield took the championship in 1949.

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THIS UNDOUBTEDLY will be the last appearance here of most of the Majestics' stars. The only exception to that is fire-balling Bruce Robarge, who has another year at Pittsfield High. Yet such talented young men as Larry Bossidy and Charley Garivaltis, come another year, probably will be playing many miles from here. Both will enter Colgate University in the fall, and each should have an opportunity to play next summer in one of the several sections where people still attend games in respectable numbers.

As a matter of fact, both had chances to play in Nova Scotia and other places this year. They decided not to, because each had one year of eligibility left for Johnstown.

The Majestics have played here only once this summer. That was the night they beat the Buick Tyler Aces 7-6 in 12 innings. The attendance of slightly above 600 was disappointing, when one considers that just about all of the city's top players from 18 to 30 years of age were on the field that evening.

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THE GAME WILL BE the fourth meeting of the teams. The Dodgers won twice here last summer, but the Majestics prevailed 6-4 at Bennington several weeks ago.

In that contest, Dan Healy, the revolutionary strategist who goes all out for steal of the plate and likes to bat last, used Bossidy, Denny Cohen and Robarge in that order on the mound. Tonight he'll use Cohen, then Robarge. Bossidy won't be present because he'll be working out at Springfield with the Westinghouse team, which leaves tomorrow for Wichita, Kan.

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HEALY EVEN HAS planned his pitching rotation for the early part of the tournament. In the first game, it will be Robarge, followed by Bossidy and Cohen. Robarge is getting the first call, because he worked so effectively a year ago in the last thrill-packed days of play.
packed days of play.

With such a staff, the Majestics figure to do well. Pitching in an event of this kind is far and away the greatest single factor.

Yet Healy can back a tremendous mound potential with solid hitting. Men like Garivaltis, Jackie Brennan, and Dick DiOrio all are rated as better than good. Garivaltis, in particular, is a long-ball threat. He batted in the .480s last summer at Johnstown.

The Majestics also will have Bob Boyd Jr., with them. The former Dalton High star returned recently from Nova Scotia, where he had been playing fast independent ball most of the summer. With Boyd, the left hander, and right-handed Garivaltis supplying a well-balanced one-two threat, the Pittsfield club should score often.

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THE BROOKLYN outfit isn't the same one which will represent that community in the All-America. It's a group of boys designated by Dodgers' scouts as having definite professional potentials.

The arrangement is the most unusual in big league baseball. The Dodgers don't pay these boys. They furnish them with the best of equipment, and assume their hotel and meal expenses while the team is on the road. It's an interesting experience for the young men and a bargain for the Dodgers.

Every now and then there's a slip-up and the Dodgers lose out on one or more boys. That happened the past winter, when the O'Brien twins signed with the Pittsburgh Pirates. They played with the Stars of Tomorrow here a year ago, and everyone figured that Brooklyn would be their club.

THE JOHNSTOWN tourney is quite a show. Crowds of upwards of 7000 stream into the municipal stadium to watch teams of total strangers meet in the advanced rounds. Johnstown has an entry every year, but never has made the finals.

Thirteen thousand saw the tournament opener last August. Pittsfield has played before some big gatherings there. There were 7500 the night the Brass Rail lost to Washington in the 1949 semifinals. At least 8200 attended the Rail's tournament-clinching win over Washington in 1950. And it's reported there were at least that many for Pittsfield's conquest of Holyoke in the Western Massachusetts final a year ago.

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TWO YOUNG MEN who were impressive at Johnstown last year have received whopping bonuses for going into professional ranks. Outfielder Al Kaline of the Maryland state entry is reported to have been given $35,000 by the Detroit Tigers. Pitcher Tom Qualters of the Pittsburgh club, supposedly was paid $40,000 by the Philadelphia Phillies.

Tournament officials say that every one of the 16 major league clubs will have at least one scout there. At least a half-dozen are expected to send two each.

The play at Johnstown is considerably faster than in high school and American Legion leagues. For a boy can continue in the All-America until he becomes 19 years old. Thus many preparatory school and collegiate stars are able to compete.

Eagles' Team, Honiker's Win Contests

8/13/53

The Eagles defeated R. D. Jones, 6-1, and Honiker's Service Station edged England Brothers, 9-8, in a pair of Park Department Softball League games last night at Deming Field.

Bobby Enright allowed only five hits in leading the Eagles. Ed Cooke, Dick Barzottini and Ham Enright homered for the winners. John Skowron hit twice for the losers.

Honiker's, meanwhile, came up with four runs in the final inning. Don Crawford singled with the bases loaded to drive in the deciding score. Tommy Murphy and Ray Shogray had three hits apiece for the winners, and Jimmy Fazio starred defensively for the losers.

Postal AC and Richman Club will meet on diamond No. 2, while Ricchi's Sunoco and the GE Drafters will play on diamond No. 3 in two games at 6.30 tonight at Deming.

Unbeaten Pittsfield Pitcher

8-14-53

Don Perry is compiling quite a record for himself as a pitcher with Bill Sable's entry in the Little Bigger League at Pittsfield. Don has an unbeaten record of seven straight wins.

Majestics Beaten by Stars of Tomorrow 5-4 in Uns

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uccessful Benefit Contest

McCarthy Shackles Losers In All Except One Inning

Passes, Bad Bounces Are Costly To Pittsfield Pitchers—Robarge Is Loser—Carroll's Single Wins

By ROGER O'GARA

As preparation for the All-American amateur tournament, the Pittsfield Majestics' 5-4 loss to the Brooklyn Dodgers' Stars of Tomorrow last night at Wahconah Park was a double bust. The Majestics, defending champions of the Johnstown, Pa., event, looked inept against fire-balling Danny McCarthy, and the stands were depressingly barren of humanity. Less than 300 saw the game, which was designed as a benefit for the Majestics' long jaunt to Western Pennsylvania.

Half of Hits Are Scratch

McCarthy, a sturdy right-hander who compiled an excellent record at Bishop Loughlin High of Brooklyn, limited the home team to six hits, and three were scratch. Relying mostly on speed over two-thirds of the route but using a sharp curve in the late innings, he fanned 12. Eight of the victims were called out.

Coach Dan Healy of the Majestics disclosed today that late returns from the advance sale of tickets weren't enough to avert a deficit. He estimated the club's loss at $40.

The Majestics will try to regain their batting touch in two week-end games prior to leaving for Johnstown Monday morning. They'll be at Williamstown tomorrow night at 6 and Hoosick Falls, N.Y., Sunday afternoon at 2.30. They hold wins over both clubs.

McCarthy had only one bad inning. That was the fourth, when the Majestics did all of their scoring to take a 4-3 lead. Poor control put McCarthy in trouble. The Pittsfield team managed to get three hits in this round, but the only solid one was Charley Garivaltis's single to left.

Control Beats Robarge

The win was especially pleasing to the traveling professional prospects, because it squared accounts with both the Majestics and Bruce Robarge. The right-handed ace, who beat the Dodgers at Bennington, Vt., several weeks ago, turned in a satisfactory three-inning stint, but came on in the seventh just in time to be charged with the loss.

Ironically Robarge, who usually has flawless control, lost because he had a brief attack of wildness. He entered with the score knotted at 4-all, and walked Ray Holland. A wild pitch and an infield out moved Holland up two stations, and he scored on Tom Carroll's line single to left.

That was the only hit off Robarge. He retired the side in order in the eighth and ninth. Bruce was preceded by Denny Cohen and Ray Meandro, who worked three innings each, in that order.

Meandro for Bossidy

Cohen was reached for two hits and one run, Meandro for four safeties and three scores. Meandro was nominated for duty, because Larry Bossidy was working out in Springfield with the Westinghouse team, with which he left today for the National Baseball Congress tournament at Wichita, Kan.

Before and after the fourth, McCarthy was supreme. He was in difficulty only once in the late stages. That came in the seventh when singles by Bob Traversa and Robarge plus an error gave the Majestics men on first and third with only one out. He set the side down in order in the eighth and ninth.

Passes and bad bounces loomed large as Brooklyn scoring ingredients. Three of four free tickets turned into runs. Two of the visitors' scores came as the result of weird hops.

Al Levine's triple, the game's only extra base blow, leaped far Bob Boyd Jr., and Garivaltis' healthy to score Tony Frulio in the ninth. The tying marker in the sixth when Bob Weitzman's sharp two-out grounder, which seemed headed for second baseman Dick DiOrio, took off and landed in right field.

Fruitful Inning

The Majestics filled the bases with no one out in the fourth on passes to George Gallagher and Bob Boyd rJ., and Garvaltis' healthy single. Jack Dalone struck out, but Dick Donati drew a pass to force in a run, and Jack Thompson's dribbler down the third base line went for a hit.

His topped ball went to McCarthy, who tried an off-balance, hurried throw to the plate. It was poor, and two more runs counted. Then Meandro singled to center for another.

Fielding Features

The Majestics pulled several excellent defensive plays. Thompson made a sensational leaping catch of a poor throw by second baseman Jimmy Pelkey in the eighth. Seconds later, Garivaltis robbed Weitzman of an extra-base hit with a lunging glove-hand grab near the right field foul line. Traversa broke sharply to claim three putouts in center field.

The Majestics were handicapped by the exit of Jack Brennan, their star third baseman, who left in the bottom of the first because he was running a high temperature.

McCarthy will not be with the Brooklyn entry in the Johnstown tournament. Cleanup batter Frank Incontrera, the right fielder, is the only Dodger who will make that trip. He failed to hit in four trips.

BROOKLYN	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Holland, 2b	3	2	0	3	0	1
Soraci, cf	4	0	1	3	1	0
Carroll, 3b	4	0	2	1	0	0
Incentrera, rf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Frulio, ss	3	2	1	0	5	0
Levine, 1b	4	1	1	6	0	0
Alexanko, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Klosowski, lf	2	0	1	0	0	0
Weitzman, c	4	0	1	14	3	0
McCarthy, p	4	0	0	0	1	1
	33	5	7	27	10	2

MAJESTICS	ab	r	h	po	a	e
DiOrio, 2b, ss	4	0	0	1	3	0
Gallagher, ss, 3b	2	1	1	1	2	0
Garivaltis, rf	4	1	1	2	0	0
Boyd, lf	2	1	0	1	0	1
Brennan, 3b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dalone, 3b	2	0	0	0	1	0
Pelkey, 2b	2	0	0	0	2	0
Spadafora, c	1	0	0	2	0	0
Donati, c	1	1	0	2	0	0
Barlow, c	1	0	0	3	0	0
Thompsou, 1b	4	0	1	12	0	0
Traversa, cf	4	0	1	3	1	0
Cohen, p	1	0	0	0	1	0
Meandro, p	1	0	1	0	1	0
Robarge, p	1	0	1	0	0	0
	30	4	6	27	11	1

Brooklyn	001	201	100—5
Majestics	000	400	000—4

Runs batted in, Carroll 2, Levine, Weitzman 2, Donati, Thompson, Meandro. Three-base hit, Levine. Stolen bases, Garivaltis, Thompson, Soraci. Left on bases, Majestics 4, Dodgers 6. Base on balls, off McCarthy 5, Cohen 2, Meandro 1, Robarge 1. Struck out, by McCarthy 12, Cohen 2, Meandro 2, Robarge 3. Hits, off Cohen, 2 in 3 innings; Meandro, 4 in 3; Robarge, 1 in 3. Hit by pitcher, by Cohen (Soraci). Wild pitches, Meandro, Robarge. Losing pitcher, Robarge. Umpires, Woitkoski, Cianfrini, Harrison and Troy. Time, 2h, 30m.

Majestics Need Funds for Trip To Johnstown

An appeal for contributions to a fund for the Pittsfield Majestics' trip to the All-American amateur baseball tournament at Johnstown, Pa., was made today by Coach Dan Healy.

He pointed out that the benefit game at Wahconah Park last night was a failure, and said the team needs money for traveling expenses and meals en route to Johnstown. The tournament committee pays hotel and restaurant costs while the team is at Johnstown.

Contributions may be left at the Majestic Restaurant, WBRK or Dom's Barber Shop.

Fund Shortage Forces Delay In Departure

8-14-53

The Pittsfield Majestics will leave for Johnstown, Pa., and the All-American amateur tournament Tuesday morning at 7, instead of Monday morning, Coach Dan Healy revealed today. He said lack of money forced the change in plans.

Healy explained that the tournament committee doesn't pay hotel and meal bills until the opening day. A year ago, the team left a day early, because enough money was available to pay for the living and eating bills.

The Majestics have been notified that they will play in the feature game of the opening round at Point Stadium Wednesday night at 9. The drawings will be made Tuesday evening.

St. Mary's, Vets Tied For Lead

Jets' 5-4 Win Causes Deadlock— Final Games Today

LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	12	5	.706
Rams	9	9	.500
Jets	9	11	.450
Besse-Clarke	7	10	.412

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
St. Mary's	13	6	.684
VFW 448	13	6	.684
Polish Falcons	7	10	.412
Optimists Club	2	15	.118

The Jets' 5-4 upset win over St. Mary's in a darkness-shortened game last night at Deming Field caused a first-place tie in the National Division of the Little Bigger Baseball League. St. Mary's and the Veterans of Foreign Wars share the position.

The deadlock may be broken by today's regular season finales. The Vets are paired against Bill Sable's American Division champions in the second game of a double-header at Deming. St. Mary's faces the Polish Falcons in the opener.

The winning run scored last night when Joe Basiliere passed four successive batters in the bottom of the fourth inning. In the first half of the round, Bob Mazzeo tied the count for St. Mary's by belting a three-run homer.

The score:

JETS	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bonaquisti, 3b	2	2	1	1	0	1
Portieri, ss	3	1	1	0	0	0
Constanzo, cf, rf	2	1	1	0	0	0
Plouffe, p	1	1	1	4	2	0
Woodin, 1b	1	0	0	4	0	0
Mole, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
McKeever, 2b	2	0	0	1	2	0
Roach, c	2	0	0	5	2	2
McColgan, rf, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
	18	5	4	15	6	3

ST. MARY'S	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	3	0	0	0	1	0
Gregory, 3b	3	0	0	1	1	0
Bennett, 3b	3	0	0	0	0	1
Mitchell, c	2	1	1	7	0	0
LeClair, lf	2	1	1	0	0	0
Nogueira, cf	3	1	1	0	0	0
Mazzeo, p, rf	1	1	1	0	1	1
Lennon, 1b	2	0	1	4	0	0
Greenleaf, rf	1	0	1	0	0	0
Basiliere, p	1	0	0	1	1	0
	21	4	6	12	4	2

Jets	004	1	—5
St. Mary's	010	30	—4

Runs batted in, Mazzeo 3, Plouffe 2, Woodin. Two-base hits, Greenleaf, Mitchell. Home run, Mazzeo. Stolen bases, Nogueira 2, Bennett 2, LeClair, Lennon. Sacrifice, LeClair. Left on bases, St. Mary's 5, Jets 7. Base on balls, off Plouffe 2, Basiliere 4, Mazzeo 1. Struck out, by Mazzeo 7, Plouffe 7. Hits, off Mazzeo, 4 in 3 innings; Basiliere, 0 in 1. Hit by pitcher, by Mazzeo (Plouffe). Losing pitcher, Basiliere. Umpires, Knox and Gans. Time, 1h, 30m.

St. Mary's, VFW Tie For Lead

National Division Play-off Contest Scheduled Tonight

8-1-53

FINAL LITTLE BIGGER BASEBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Bill Sable's	12	6	.667
Rams	9	9	.500
Jets	9	11	.450
Besse-Clarke	7	10	.412

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
VFW	14	6	.700
St. Mary's	14	6	.700
Polish Falcons	7	11	.389
Optimists	2	15	.118

St. Mary's swamped the Polish Falcons, 23-2, and the VFW edged Bill Sable's, 5-3, in a Little Bigger League double-header Saturday afternoon at Deming Field to move into a tie for first place in the National division.

A "sudden death" play-off to decide the champion will be held at 5.30 tonight at Deming Field. The winners will meet Sable's American division titlists in a two-out-of-three series for the city crown.

In the opener, St. Mary's collected 19 hits off Polish Falcons pitching to score five runs is the first, seven in the second, one in the third, four in the fourth and six in the fifth. Bobby Bennett and Benny Nogueira limited the Falcons to four hits. The losers scored once in the second and once in the fourth.

In the second contest, the VFW came through with a pair of runs in the sixth to break a 3-3 tie. Mike Tully was responsible for driving in the deciding tally with a sharp single to right field. The winners collected six hits off Chris Gilson, while the losers were held to only two safeties by Jimmy Walsh.

Walsh struck out nine men and walked three. Gilson fanned 11 and passed 10. The scores:

FIRST GAME

ST. MARY'S	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	2	2	1	0	0	0
a-Ormsbee	1	1	1	0	0	0
Gregory, 2b	3	1	1	0	1	0
b-Pires	1	1	1	0	1	0
Bennett, 3b, p	5	2	4	0	0	0
Mitchell, c, rf	5	4	4	5	0	0
LeClair, lf, cf	4	4	2	2	0	0
Nogueira, p, cf, 3b	4	4	2	2	2	0
Mazzeo, lf, rf	2	1	0	0	0	0
Viner, 1b	2	0	1	0	0	0
Lennon, 1b, c	4	1	2	6	0	0
Greenleaf, rf	0	1	0	0	0	0
Basilieri, p	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hebler, lf	0	1	0	0	0	0
	34	23	19	15	3	0

POLISH FALCONS	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Ouelette, 2b	1	0	0	2	0	0
DiCroca, cf, lf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Shea, ss	2	0	1	2	0	1
Quadrozzi, 3b, p	2	0	0	1	1	0
Bruno, c	3	0	1	3	1	1
Canzano, lf	2	0	1	0	0	1
Powers, cf	0	0	0	2	0	0
Reinhold, rf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Graham, 1b	1	1	0	2	0	0
	19	2	4	15	4	3

St. Mary's	571	46	—23
Polish Falcons	010	10	— 2

a—Singled for Pellerin in 5th.
b—Singled for Gregory in 5th.

Runs batted in, Pellerin 2, Gregory 2, Bennett 3, LeClair, Nogueira, Mazzeo, Viner, Lennon 3, Greenleaf, Quadrozzi. Two-base hit, Mitchell. Stolen bases, Mitchell, Nogueiro. Sacrifice, Gregory. Left on bases, St. Mary's 6, Polish Falcons 12. Base on balls, off Goodrich 7, Nogueira 1, Goodrich 4, Quadrozzi 1, Nogueira 2, Basiliere 4, Bennett 3. Struck out, by Basiliere 4, Bennett 2. Hits, off Quadrozzi, 6 in 1-3 inning; Nogueira, 2 in 2; Basiliere, 2 in 2; Bennett, 0 in 1. Hit by pitcher, by Goodrich, (Lennon, Greenleaf); Nogueira (Graham). Winning pitcher, Nogueira. Losing pitcher, Goodrich. Umpires Knox and Gans. Time, 1h, 45m.

VFW	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pulaski, 2b	4	0	1	0	1	1
C. Heidel, lf	2	1	0	1	0	0
Denno, ss	1	3	0	1	3	0
Tully, c	3	1	2	10	0	0
Walsh, p	3	0	3	0	2	0
Bresnahan, 1b	3	0	0	8	0	1
Clancy, cf	1	0	0	1	0	0
Rote, 3b	4	0	0	0	1	0
Mason, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
	24	5	6	27	7	2

BILL SABE'S	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, 2b	3	1	0	1	0	0
Dellert, 3b	2	0	0	1	0	0
Gallagher, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lee, cf, 3b	2	0	0	3	0	0
Gilson, p	3	0	0	0	2	0
B. Heidel, rf, cf	3	0	0	0	0	0
MacDonald, lf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Gilbert, c	3	0	0	11	1	0
Perrby, 1b	3	1	1	2	0	0
Starkey, ss	2	1	0	0	1	0
	25	3	2	18	4	0

VFW 448	201	002	—5
Bill Sable's	000	030	0—7

Runs batted in, Dellert, Tully, Walsh 2, Bresnahan, Clancy. Stolen bases, Perry 2, Lee, Walsh 2, Denno. Left on bases, Bill Sable's 5, VFW 448 11. Base on balls, off Walsh 3, Gilson 10. Struck out, by Walsh 9, Gilson 11. Hit by pitcher, by Walsh (Dellert); Gilson (C. Heidel). Winning pitcher, Walsh. Losing pitcher, Gilson. Umpires, Knox and Gans. Time, 2h.

Pittsfield, Holyoke, Ludlow Teams Head for Johnstown

8-19-53

Three Western Massachusetts junior baseball teams leave today for Johnstown, Pa., where they will compete in the 11th annual All-American Amateur Baseball Association Tournament, Aug. 18-24. The nines who will vie for national honors are the Pittsfield Majestics, Highland Vols of Holyoke, and the Ludlow Boys' Club.

Majestics Defending Champs

It will be no new experience for the Majestics or Vols for these teams participated in the Keystone State event last year and both advanced to the finals where the Pittsfield team captured the title by defeating the Paper City representative. It will be the first time that a suburban Springfield team has gone on to Johnstown, for in the last few seasons the Junior City League of Springfield has held the franchise.

The trio of clubs are departing at various times and, hence, will not all arrive at Johnstown today. Some groups are stopping outside of Johnstown Monday night but all will be in the tourney city for practice sessions Tuesday. The opening banquet will be held Tuesday night and at that time pairings for the event will be made.

With a quartet of topflight pitchers, Pittsfield will be one of the tourney favorites, while Holyoke has perhaps its best mound staff since it began competing at Johnstown four years ago. Ludlow has compiled a great record this season and could be a surprise contender.

Brady's Tops E. D. Jones In Park Loop

8-17-53

PARK DEPARTMENT SOFTBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Stanley's Grill	10	1	.906
Ricchi's Sunoco	11	2	.846
Eaton Paper	8	5	.615
Honiker's Service Station	4	10	.286
GE Drafters	2	8	.200
England Brothers	1	10	.091

NATIONAL DIVISION

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Eagle's Club	11	3	.876
Postal AC	10	3	.769
Brady's Market	9	4	.615
Richman Club	2	11	.154
E. D. Jones	1	11	.077

WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Diamond No. 2

Tonight—Brady's Market vs Eagle's Club.

Tomorrow night—E. D. Jones vs Postal AC.

Wednesday—Richman Club vs E. D. Jones.

Friday—Richman Club vs Brady's Market.

Diamond No. 3

Tonight—England Brothers vs GE Drafters.

Tomorrow night—GE Drafters vs England Brothers.

Wednesday—GE Drafters vs Honiker's Service Station.

Thursday—Stanley's Grill vs Eaton Paper.

Friday—Stanley's Grill vs Ricchi's Sunoco.

Brady's Market topped E. D. Jones 7-2, in a Park Department Softball League game at Deming Field Friday night. Bill Jakacky held the losers to three hits. He had a no-hitter until the seventh when the opposition exploded for two runs.

St. Mary's, Bill Sable's Meet Tonight

8-19-53

City Championship Series Scheduled At Deming Field

St. Mary's National division winners and Bill Sable's, the top team in the American division, will meet tonight at 5.30 at Deming Field in the opening game of a best two-out-of-three series for the city Little Bigger League championship.

St. Mary's finished the regular season in a tie with the VFW for first place in its division, but won the title with a sound 15-3 victory in a "sudden death" play-off Monday night.

The probable St. Mary's line-up tonight will be: Mitchell (.381), catcher; Lennon (.278), first base; Gregory (.373) second; Bennett (.405), third; Pellerin (.204) shortstop; Nogueira (.266), left field; Leclair (.387), center field; and Greenleaf (.156), right field. The pitching force includes Jim Basiliere (4-10), Nogueira (6-2), Bennett (3-2), and Bob Mazzee (2-1).

The starting line-up for Bill Sable's will be: Gilbert (.237), catcher; Perry (.369) first base; McCarthy (.311), second; Dellert (.103), third; Starkey (.209), shortstop; Heidel (.417), left field; Lee (.415), center field; and MacDonald (.500), right field. The probable pitchers will be Perry (7-0) and Chris Gilson (3-3).

Johnstown Is All Set For Tourney

8-17-15

Agencies Planning Entertainment For Ball Players

JOHNSTOWN, Pa. — Johnstown today began unrolling its welcome carpet in preparation for the arrival of the first of 15 teams which will come here for the ninth annual All-American Amateur Baseball Association tournament.

Although play doesn't officially begin until Wednesday, the tournament air spreads throughout the city as soon as the first contingent arrives. Several clubs with long distances to travel are expected on the scene at least two days before the double-defeat elimination event, for boys up to 19 years of age, starts.

The Johnstown Oldtimers' Baseball Association, sponsor of the tournament for the eighth time, has completed all details of the big promotion.

The YMCA, Teen-Canteen and other organizations which have been formed for the entertainment of youths are making their facilities available to the visitors without charge.

In many cases organizations have set up special programs for tournament week for the purpose of entertaining players during their leisure hours. There also will be free admission to movies.

All teams are expected to be present tomorrow evening for a pre-tournament reception. The high light will be a short talk by Glenn L. Martin of Baltimore, founder of the AAABA and board chairman. Drawings for opening day play also will be held.

The entries include Washington, D.C., Pittsfield, Mass., New Orleans, La., Brooklyn, N.Y., Baltimore, Md., Holyoke, Mass., Central Jersey, Maryland State, New York City, Pittsburgh, Pa., Buffalo, N.Y., Zanesville, Ohio, Allentown, Pa., Springfield, Mass., Altoona and Johnstown, Pa.

Pittsfield Baseball

8-18-53

St. Mary's Playoff Victor

Pittsfield, Aug. 7—St. Mary's defeated the VFW, 15 to 3, in a playoff game in the Little Bigger League tonight at Deming Park. St. Mary's scored 11 runs on four hits, a hit batsman, four bases on balls and three errors as 16 men went to the plate. St. Mary's will face Bill Sables in the first game for the championship at Deming Park on Wednesday at 5.30. Outstanding for the victors were Jerry Greenleaf who had a double and two runs batted in and Bob Bennett and Butch LeClair who each had two singles. Score by innings:

St. Mary's ... 0 11 1 3 0 0—15 7 3
VFW ..... 0 3 0 0 0 0— 3 2 8

Gueira, Mazzeo and Mitchell; Walsh, Pulaski and Tully.

Western Mass. Teams Draw Stiff Opposition

8-19-53

Holyoke and Pittsfield in Afternoon Games at Johnstown Tourney; Ludlow Plays Tonight

By JIM REGAN

Johnstown, Pa., Aug. 18—Champions of three of the largest cities holding franchises in the All-American Amateur Baseball Association were drawn as first round opponents tonight for the three Western Mass. teams competing in the 11th annual National Junior Tournament. Two of the three metropolitan clubs are among the pre-tourney favorites in this double elimination event in which play starts here tomorrow.

Ludlow Under Lights

The Ludlow Boys' Club, champ of Springfield Suburban League, will face NORD LaRoccas, New Orleans, La., city titlists; the Holyoke Highland Vols will oppose the Mount Washington AC of Pittsburgh, Pa., and the Pittsfield Majestics, defending champions, oppose the New York City Sultans.

The Ludlow game will be played under lights at Point Stadium as the second half of the official opening double header at 9 p. m. The Pittsfield contest is carded for 2 p. m. at Westmont Field while Holyoke plays at 4 at Frankling Field.

New Orleans captured AAABA title in 1948 and is once again rated a strong contender. Sponsored by the New Orleans Recreational Department, the club has won 12 out of 16 games.

Mount Washington captured the South Hills League in Pittsburgh to win its first trip here although it owns only a 19-15 overall record.

Infield Changes

Coach Sam Susser of the Sultans admitted he had scoured the four New York boroughs to garner his players and he is extremely optimistic over his team's chances. Hal Wiessheart, who has three no-hitters this season, is slated for mound duty for the New Yorkers who have won 18 and lost two.

Fred Jack, southpaw, and Buzz Charron will comprise the Ludlow battery. Following a practice session today, Orlando Jorge and George Kelleher were announced as starting infielders.

Roger Marquis, the Vols' left-hander, may get the starting nod against Pittsburgh, coach Jim O'Leary intimated tonight. Vin Cousineau will be back of the plate.

For the Majestics Bruce Robarge or Denny Cohen will pitch, with Joe Spadafora catching.

Other pairings: Buffalo vs. South River, N. J.; Altoona, Pa., vs. Maryland State, Allentown, Pa., vs. Johnstown; Baltimore, Md., vs. Zanesville, O., and Brooklyn vs. Washington, D. C.

Bossidy Is Disqualified From Johnstown Event for Playing Semipro Ball

Larry Pitches Westinghouse To Victory at Wichita, Kan.

Star Southpaw Throws Three-hitter, And Fans 12—Majestics To Oppose New York Sultans Today at 2 PM

JOHNSTOWN, Pa. — Larry Bossidy, star southpaw pitcher for the Pittsfield (Mass.) Majestics, defending champion in the All-American amateur baseball tournament, has been disqualified from the event, which starts here today. The decision was announced last night by the committee at a hearing following the pairings. The reason given was that the 18-year-old boy "played semipro baseball after June 15."

He'll Stay in Wichita

Bossidy is in Wichita, Kan., with the Springfield Westinghouse team, for whom he pitched a three-hit, 12-strike-out 7-1 win last night in the National Baseball Congress tournament over the Nellis (Nev.) Air Force. It was his and Westinghouse's second victory in tourney play.

Coach Dan Healy of the Majestics expected to start Bossidy Friday. Larry had planned to fly today from Wichita to join the Majestics here. Now that he will not be able to play, he will stay with the Westinghouse club.

The Majestics have been paired against the New York City Sultans in a first-round game this afternoon at 2 at Westmont Field. That is a change from the original slate, which called for the Majestics as defending champions to play their first game under lights tonight at 9 in Point Stadium.

Heavy Blow for Majestics

The loss of Bossidy is a heavy blow to Pittsfield's hopes to become the first city to win the event three times. Coach Healy was banking heavily on Bruce Robarge, Denny Cohen and Bossidy as starters, with Ray Meandro as relief man. With teams playing daily in the double elimination event, three starting pitchers are the minimum for a club.

Robarge is slated to face New York. He will be opposed by Hal Wiessheart, who has thrown three no-hitters this summer. The New Yorkers have a record of 18 wins and 2 losses. Coach Sam Susser admits that they are the pick of all four boroughs of the metropolis.

Under All-American Amateur Association rule, June 15 is the deadline for a player to regain amateur status. Many 18-year-olds who have signed professional contracts have been permitted to play in the event, providing they were released prior to that date.

Other pairings in the event are as follows: Ludlow Boys' Club, representing the Springfield (Mass.) Suburban League vs. the Nord LaRoccas of New Orleans, La.; the Highland Volunteers of Holyoke, Mass., vs. the Mount Washington AC of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Buffalo, N.Y., vs. South River, N.J.; Altoona, Pa., vs. Maryland State; Allentown, Pa., vs. Johnstown; Baltimore, Md., vs. Zanesville, Ohio; and Brooklyn, N.Y., vs. Washington, D.C.

Depending on today's results, Pittsfield will play tomorrow against either Buffalo, N.Y., or South River, N.J. All first-day winners are paired against each other, and all losers enter a bracket for survival.

Two Games Slated Tonight In Park Loop

8-19-53

The Postal AC defeated E. D. Jones, 13-7, and England Brothers slipped by the GE Drafters, 11-10, in two Park Department Softball League games at Deming Field last night.

Ed Fitzgerald led the postmen with three for four. Morowski and Connors homered for the winners. Tart was the winning pitcher. It took extra innings for England Brothers to earn victory. Bob Secon was the hero of the game. He was the winning pitcher and drove in the deciding run. Sacchetti starred in the field and at the plate. He socked four for four.

In two games Monday night, the Eagles trimmed Brady's Market, 16-1, and the GE Drafters topped England Brothers 8-6.

E. D. Jones and the Richman Club will meet on diamond No. 2, while the Drafters and Honiker's Service Station play on diamond No. 3 in two games scheduled at Deming at 6.30 tonight.

St. Mary's Wins, 15-3 Over VFW

8-18-53

Title Series Begins Tomorrow Against Sable's

St. Mary's, with a decisive 11-run splurge in the second, toppled the VFW, 15-3, at Deming Field last night for the national division title in the Little Bigger League. St. Mary's thus earned the right to meet Bill Sable's, the American division winners, in a best two-out-of-three series for the league championship. The first game is to be played tomorrow night at 5.30 at Deming.

As a large crowd watched, St. Mary's scored 11 runs in the second and the VFW team was never able to threaten thereafter. The runs came on four hits, four passes, a hit batsman and three errors.

Young Jimmy Walsh completely lost his control as he yielded 15 hits. He fanned one and walked three. Walsh defeated Bill Sable's last Saturday afternoon.

Benny Nogueira, however, worked smoothly for the winners as he limited the VFW to two hits. He struck out five and walked only three. He was removed in the sixth with two away after he injured his finger attempting to field a hot ground ball.

The score:

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	2	2	0	1	2	0
Gregory, 2b	5	2	1	1	4	1
Bennett, 3b	4	2	2	1	1	1
Mitchell, c	4	1	0	6	0	0
LeClair, cf	4	2	2	3	0	1
Nogueira, p	1	2	0	0	3	0
Hebler, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mazzeo, rf, p	3	2	1	0	0	0
Lennon, 1b	4	1	0	6	0	0
Greenleaf, lf	3	1	1	0	1	0
	30	15	7	18	11	3

VFW 448

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pulaski, 2b, p	3	0	0	0	4	0
Heidel, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Denno, ss	2	0	0	1	3	3
Clayson, cf	2	1	1	2	0	0
Tully, c	3	1	0	5	0	2
Walsh, p, 2b	3	1	1	3	1	3
Clancy, 1b	2	0	0	6	1	0
Rote, 3b	2	0	0	1	1	0
Mason, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
	21	3	2	18	10	8

St. Mary's ..... 0111 300—15
VFW 448 ..... 0 30 000— 3

Runs batted in, Greenleaf 3, Gregory, Bennett, LeClair, Mazzeo, Lennon, Walsh 2. Two-base hit, Greenleaf. Three-base hit, Walsh. Stolen bases, Gregory 2, Bennett, Mitchell, LeClair, Mazzeo 2, Lennon. Sacrifice, Greenleaf. Left on bases, St. Mary's 8, VFW 448 3. Base on balls, off Nogueira 3, Walsh 3, Pulaski 6. Struck out, by Nogueira 5, Walsh 1, Pulaski 3. Hits, off Walsh, 5 in 1 inning; Pulaski, 2 in 5. Hit by pitcher, by Walsh (Nogueira). Winning pitcher, Nogueira. Losing pitcher, Walsh. Umpires, Thompson and Knox. Time, 2h.

Pittsfield Little Leagues

8/20/53

Bill Sable's Winner, 7-4

Pittsfield, Aug. 19—First game for city championship in the Pittsfield Little Bigger League found Don Perry winning his eighth straight for the season for Bill Sable's team, defeating St. Mary's, 7 to 4. He also helped his own cause by singling twice and driving in three runs. Chris Gilson hit a long home run to the right center to drive in two runs. Perry walked eight and struck out nine batters. Bud Epllorin and Pete Mitchell of St. Mary's each had two singles.

This win puts Bill Sable's one up for the title. The second game will be played Friday at Deming Park at 5.30. Score by innings:

Bill Sable ..... 014 11—7 4 3
St. Mary's ..... 003 10—4 5 6

Perry and Gilbert; Mazzeo, Basiliere and Mitchell.

Bossidy Slated To Pitch for Westinghouse

8-14-53

WICHITA, Kan.—Lefty Larry Bossidy, 18-year-old Pittsfield (Mass.) High star, will make his second start of the National Baseball Congress tournament for Springfield Westinghouse against the Nellis (Nev.) Air Force here tonight.

Bossidy won his opener 18-1 over Fairbanks-Morse of Stuttgart, Ark. Westinghouse must win this evening to stay in the double elmination tournament.

Bossidy will fly tomorrow from Wichita to Johnstown, Pa., where he will join the Pittsfield Majestics for play in the All-American amateur tournament. He will have a long lay-over in Chicago.

Majestics Leave For Johnstown

Pittsfield's Majestics left this morning at 8 for Johnstown, Pa., where they will open defense of their All-American amateur baseball tournament title tomorrow night at 9. They traveled by private car.

Coach Dan Healy figured that the caravan would arrive in Johnstown some time between 8 and 9 tonight. A brief workout will be held early tomorrow afternoon.

Pairings will be made this evening. The Majestics will appear in the feature game of the opening round.

Jack Brennan, star third baseman, who was ill with a groin infection, has recovered, and is expected to start tomorrow.

Richman Club, Honiker's Are Victors

The Richman Club toppled E. D. Jones, 9-1, and Honiker's Service Station stopped the GE Drafters, 12-10, in a pair of Park Department Softball League games at Deming Field last night.

Tony Pivero homered in the top of the sixth for the Richman Club. The bases were loaded. Clem Lacy held E. D. Jones to two hits.

John Stanley led the Honiker's attack with four for four. His barrage included a grand-slam homer in the fourth. Don Crawford was the winner.

Stanley's Grill and Eaton Paper meet tonight at 6.30 on Deming's diamond No. 3 in the only game scheduled.

Sable's Tops St. Mary's In First City Title Game

8-20-53

Powerful Bill Sable's stood only one game away from the city Little Bigger League championship today. This was a result of a 7-4 triumph over St. Mary's before a good audience at Deming Field last night in the first game of a best-out-of-three series for the local title.

Sable's, the American division winner, received excellent pitching from young Don Perry who limited St. Mary's to only five hits. Sable's scored once in the second, four in the third, one in the fourth and another in the fifth. St. Mary's Jim Bassiliere limited his opposition to only four hits, but sloppy defensive play enabled Sable's to score pretty much at will.

On the pitching side, Perry struck out nine men and walked eight. Bassiliere and his reliver, Bob Mazzee, together fanned seven and walked the same number of men.

Sable's four-run splurge in the third resulted from Chris Gilson's homer, Don Perry's single, three walks and two stolen bases.

St. Mary's big inning was also the third when three runs crossed. The losers added another in the fourth. The three runs in the third came on three singles, three walks and a pair of errors.

St. Mary's had the bases loaded when the game was called after five innings because of darkness.

The victory was Perry's eighth against no losses this season.

The second and what could be the deciding game will be played tomorrow night.

The score:

BILL SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
McCartney, 2b	3	0	0	0	0	1
Gallagher, 2b	1	0	0	1	0	0
Dellert, 3b	2	0	0	0	0	0
Lee, cf	2	2	1	0	0	1
Gilson, 1b	3	1	1	2	0	0
Heidel, lf	1	1	0	0	0	0
MacDonald, rf	2	1	0	0	0	0
Starkey, ss	3	1	0	1	2	0
Gilbert, c	3	1	0	10	1	1
Perry, p	2	0	2	1	1	0
	22	7	4	15	4	3

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	2	2	2	0	1	0
Gregory, 2b	1	0	0	2	1	1
Bennett, 3b	2	1	1	3	0	2
Pires, 3b	0	0	0	0	0	2
Hebler, 3b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ormsbee, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mitchell, c	3	0	2	7	0	0
LeClair, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Nogueira, cf	1	0	0	0	1	0
Mazzeo, p, rf	2	0	0	0	2	1
Lennon, 1b	3	0	0	3	0	0
Greenleaf, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Basiliere, p	2	1	0	0	1	0
	18	4	5	15	6	6

Bill Sable's ..... 014 11—7
St. Mary's ..... 003 10—4

Runs batted in, Perry 3, Gilson 2, Gregory, Mitchell. Home run, Gilson. Stolen bases, McCartney, Lee 2, Heidel 3, MacDonald, Gilbert, Gregory, Bennett 2, LeClair. Sacrifice, Perry. Left on bases, St. Mary's 8, Bill Sable's 8. Base on balls, off Perry 8, Mazzeo 3, Basiliere 4. Struck out, by Perry 9, Mazzeo 2, Basiliere 5. Hits, off Mazzeo, 3 in 2 innings; Basiliere, 1 in 3. Hit by pitcher, by Perry, Mazzeo. Winning pitcher, Don Perry. Losing pitcher, Mazzeo. Umpires, Knox and Gans. Time, 2h.

The Bossidy Botch

8-20-53

FAIR OR FOUL

By Roger O'Gara

THE DISQUALIFICATION of Larry Bossidy by the committee which operates the All-American amateur baseball tournament at Johnstown, Pa., marks another chapter in the long history of hypocrisy in amateur sports. Wrist-slapping administrators have doted on crying "naughty, naughty" ever since they took Jim Thorpe's Olympic medals away from him back in 1912.

Bossidy was declared contaminated, because he played semipro baseball for the Springfield Westinghouse team, Massachusetts' entry in the National Baseball Congress tournament at Wichita, Kan. The key words in the execution sentence were "after June 15."

That's the absurd part of the whole thing. He presumably would have been accepted as a member in good standing if his semipro activity had been prior to the middle of June.

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IT'S HARD TO SEE why the months of April and May and the first two weeks of June are non-infectious periods. Possibly the theory of the All-American Amateur Baseball Association rule is that a boy who perpetrated such a dastardly deed in the spring well may have relented by late August. Or then again, maybe the regulation was designed after the legal statute of limitations. You know, the one which erases unpaid debts after seven years, isn't it?

The ruling certainly isn't consistent. In 1950, Pittsfield players William (Bobo) Quadrozzi and Richard (Rit) Flynn were permitted to play at Johnstown, although each had received a professional trial in the spring. In fact, Quadrozzi had been paid a small bonus. These fellows were cleansed, because their indiscretion had been committed in the unrestricted period. They had been cut adrift, and therefore had resumed their simon pure status, in the eyes of the Johnstown people.

These cases haven't been resurrected to cause either of these fine young men embarrassment, but merely to point up the absurdity of the regulation. Here two ex-pros were welcomed back, yet a young man who received no salary is branded.

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SEMIPRO IS a misleading phrase anyway. In the era when there was money in independent baseball, many players received substantial sums for their services. They properly were listed as semipros, because they had signed no contracts.

Pittsfield semipros for years have been in effect amateurs, for the simple reason that there just hasn't been any money left for wages after operating expenses have been met.

The Majestics, the team which Bossidy played for all summer at Bennington, were amateurs all the way. Promoter-coach Dan Healy made no promises of compensation to the boys, for two reasons. Gate receipts weren't that good, and most of the players were pointing for the Johnstown event and thus were willing to compete for nothing. As defending champions, the Majestics carefully guarded their amateur status. As a point of record, pitcher Walter Miller was dropped from the squad because he had signed a Philadelphia Phillies' farm system contract for 1954.

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BOSSIDY CONSULTED the authorities at Colgate University before accepting the invitation to play for Westinghouse. He will be a freshman there in the fall, and didn't want to do anything which would jeopardize his eligibility. They gave him a green light, and so he made the trip.

Westinghouse isn't paying him a cent. He naturally was transported by plane to Wichita at the company's expense, and is receiving hotel lodging and meals from them. That certainly isn't professionalism. In fact, from the standpoint of common sense, he still is every bit as much of an amateur as he was when he left.

The ruling by the committee was the more severe of two which were suggested. One faction, according to a reliable source, wanted to put a deadline on Bossidy. A spokesman proposed that he be disqualified if he wasn't in Johnstown by yesterday noon. But an even more persuasive wrist-slapper won the majority to his way of thinking, and so Pittsfield was dealt a severe blow in its bid for a third tournament title.

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THE ATTEMPT by several veteran members of the Pittsfield Golden Bears to keep semipro football in this section has an intelligent approach. These young men are stressing that they want this year's team to be a truly representative Berkshire County unit. They welcome candidates from all parts of the section.

Furthermore the team well may lose its Pittsfield listing. Frank Koldys, the hard-running back, has hit upon an idea which will challenge the competitive pride of Pittsfield, North Adams and Adams. He has proposed that one early season game be played in each community. In this way, a definite idea could be formed as to which would be the best base of operations.

This seems to be sensible. In 1948 and 1949, the Tyler Aces drew big crowds to Wahconah Park. The slump started in 1950, when Sunday afternoon television of big league football games kept many fans in the parlor. Last year's attendance was poor.

The new plan is no sure-fire guarantee of success. Yet it deserves a trial. If the crowds are poor at the three proposed games, then the boys should read the handwriting on the wall. If the early presentations don't draw, they should retire gracefully or suffer another bitter experience in futility.

Majestics Blast Four Runs in Eighth To Top Sultans, 7-3, at Johnstown

Robarge Works Splendidly; Garivaltis Wallops Homer

17-Year-Old Fire Baller Hits Stride After Fifth Inning—Pittsfield Meets Buffalo in Second Game Today

Special to The Eagle

JOHNSTOWN, Pa.—Pittsfield's Majestics exploded for four runs in the eighth inning to break a 3-3 deadlock and turn back a scrappy New York City representative, 7-3, yesterday at Price Memorial Field in opening defense of their AAABA tournament crown.

A home run by the 1952 tournament batting champion, Charlie Garivaltis, and Boyd's second triple highlighted the deciding spree. Pittsfield's next opponent will be Buffalo.

Robarge Invincible

Bruce Robarge, 17-year-old fireballer, winner of two tournament games last year, blanked the hard-hitting Sultans after the fourth inning. Following a slow start, he allowed only two hits in the final five frames. Robarge struck out 16 batters. At one stage he fanned six in a row and whiffed 9 of 10 batters. Bruce was invincible from the sixth inning on.

It was Robarge who started the Majestics' eighth-inning rally. He dropped a single into right field as Angelo Rocco lost the ball in the sun. Bob Traversa's sacrifice bunt was thrown to second too late to get Robarge.

Outfielder Boyd then tripled in the clutch to send two runners scurrying over the plate. Garivaltis followed with his home run. He was first ruled out at the plate and then called safe.

Hal Weissheart, a red-haired, right-hander, held Pittsfield hitless through the first three innings. He was presented a one-run lead in the first inning on singles by Nick Schess and Rocco Cambreni, an error and Charley Venturino's run-producing fly.

Score Tied in Fourth

Pittsfield tied the score on a fourth-inning leadoff triple by Boyd and Chico DiOrio's hot single to center. The Sultans blasted Robarge for four hits in the bottom of the stanza in scoring twie. Moe Schachnow, who safely crossed home plate in the inning, was declared out for missing third base. Frank Savia and Al Cunningham combed Robarge for triples in the inning.

Pittsfield again balanced the score in the sixth on a single by Garivaltis and DiOrio's home run that took a bad bounce and caromed off the shoulder of centerfielder Cunningham.

Buffalo, Pittsfield's opponent today, advanced in the tourney by defeating Central New Jersey, 8-3. The New York City team is the strongest AAABA entry from that section of the big town in years.

The score:

PITTSFIELD

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
a-Traversa, cf	3	1	0	1	1	1
Boyd, lf	5	2	2	1	0	0
Garivaltis, rf	4	2	2	0	0	0
DiOrio, 2b	4	1	2	1	1	0
Brennan, 3b	4	0	0	1	0	0
Gallagher, ss	3	0	0	2	2	0
Spadafora, c	2	0	0	7	0	0
Barlow, c	2	0	0	9	0	0
Thompson, 1b	3	0	2	5	1	0
Robarge, p	3	1	1	0	2	0
	33	7	9	27	7	1

NEW YORK CITY

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Schess, 2b	3	1	1	1	1	0
b-Braun	1	0	0	0	0	0
Rosenberg, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cambreri, lf, 1b	4	0	2	5	0	0
Venturino, ss	4	0	1	3	2	0
Cintrone, 3b, lf	4	1	1	2	3	0
Schachnow, 1b	2	0	1	5	0	0
Rocco, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
c-Gargiulo	1	0	0	0	0	0
Savia, rf, 3b	2	1	1	2	0	0
Donnelly, 3b	1	0	0	0	0	0
d-Martinez	1	0	0	0	0	0
Kopec, c	3	0	0	8	1	1
Cunningham, cf	3	0	2	1	0	1
Weissheart, p	3	0	0	0	1	0
Bloom, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
	33	3	9	27	8	2

Pittsfield	000	102	040—7
New York City	100	200	000—3

a—Awarded first base on catcher's interference in 9th.
b—Struck out for Schess in 7th.
c—Struck out for Rocco in 9th.
d—Struck out for Donnelly in 9th.

Runs batted in, Boyd 2, Garivaltis 2, DiOrio 3, Venturino, Savia, Cunningham. Three-base hits, Boyd 2, Savia, Cunningham. Home runs, Garivaltis, DiOrio. Double plays, Thompson to Gallagher, Cintrone to Schachnow. Left on bases, Pittsfield 4, New York City 3. Sacrifices, Traversa, Robarge. Stolen base, Gallagher. Base on balls, off Robarge 1, Weissheart 1, Bloom 1. Struck out, by Robarge 16, Weissheart 5, Bloom 3. Hits, off Weissheart, 8 in 7 (faced 4 in 8th); Bloom, 1 in 2. Losing pitcher, Weissheart.

Pittsfield Wins, 7-3; Holyoke Loses, 6-5

Two Western Mass. Entries Break Even in First Round Johnstown, Pa., Tourney Games

Johnstown, Pa., Aug. 19—In a AAABA tournament game that went well after midnight, the Ludlow (Mass.) Boys' Club lost to New Orleans, 13-12. Ludlow plays the Holyoke Vols tomorrow.

Johnstown, Pa., Aug. 19 (AP)—Defending champion Pittsfield (Mass.) Majestics rallied for four runs in the eighth inning to score a 7-3 victory over the New York City entry as play began today in the annual All-American Amateur Baseball Association's limited division tournament. Holyoke (Mass.) Vols lost to Pittsburgh, 6-5.

Other Winners

Other first round winners were Buffalo, Maryland State, Zanesville (O.), Washington, D. C., Pittsburgh and Johnstown.

Another first round game, New Orleans vs. Ludlow Boys' Club, Mass., is being played tonight.

Sixteen teams are entered in the tourney. A team must lose two games to be eliminated.

A home run by Charley Garivaltis, the 1952 tourney batting champion, and a triple by Bob Boyd highlighted Pittsfield's eighth inning rally which sent New York City down to its first loss.

Relief pitcher Joe Werwie hit a two-run double in the last of the ninth to give Pittsburgh a 6-5 victory over Holyoke (Mass.) Vols who went to the championship game last year.

Pittsburgh 6, Holyoke 5

Taking advantage of Bill Houston's wildness, the Highland Vols jumped off to a two-run lead in the opening inning. The first of three Pittsburgh hurlers walked four men to force across one run while Johnny Stadnicki singled for the other tally.

Pittsburgh moved out front with a three-run spurt in the fifth. Two Vols' errors and a pair of stolen bases figured in the run-production.

The Vols matched this spree with a three run outburst in the seventh. A walk and successive bunt singles by Terry O'Donnell and Tommy O'Neil loaded the bases with none out. After the next two men were retired, Ron Lamontagne belted a single to right which cleared the bases when the ball went through the outfielder.

Stadnicki gave up a run to Pittsburgh in the seventh and then gave way to Bob Ferriter after he had complained of being tired. Ferriter fanned two as he retired the side in the eighth but the ninth frame proved his undoing. Joe Jacko reached first on a wild peg to open the canto and stole second. He held third when Bob Campbell singled to left field. Campbell proceeded to steal second. After Bill Freshwater had grounded out, Joe Werwie, who had gone to the mound for Mount Washington, in the eighth, doubled to left center to break up the game.

Pittsfield 7, New York 3

After a shaky start, Bruce Robarge settled down to pitch immense ball as the Majestics defending champions, started the 1953 tourney in winning style. Robarge gave up nine hits but he fanned 16 batters, including nine of the last 11 batters. He also started the winning eighth inning rally with a base hit.

Two singles and an outfield fly gave New York the lead to a first inning run. Bob Boyd tripled and Dick Diorio singled to tie the count in the fourth. The Sultans came back with two markers in the fourth with triples by Frank Savia and Al Cunningham the payoff blows. With two down in the sixth, the Majestics bounced back into a tie. Charlie Garivaltis singled and DiLorio lined a smash to center field which hopped over Cunningham's shoulder to permit the Pitts field second sacker to circle the bases for a home run.

Robarge started the eighth with a single to right and when Bob Traversa bunted both runners were safe on a late throw to second. Boyd tripled to right center for his second three-bagger to account for two runs, and Garivaltis made it four runs for the inning on a line drive homerun to left center.

AAABA Scores

(First Round)

Pittsfield 7, New York 3
Pittsburgh 6, Holyoke 5
New Orleans 13, Ludlow 12
Maryland State 5, Altoona, Pa., 2
Buffalo 8, South River, N. J., 3
Zanesville 8, Baltimore, 7
Washington, D. C., 5, Brooklyn 4

Johnstown Boxes

PITTSFIELD	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Traverse, cf	3	1	1	1	1	1
Boyd, lf	5	2	2	1	0	0
Garivaltis, rf	4	2	2	0	0	0
Minney, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diorio, 2	4	1	2	1	1	0
Brennan, 3	4	0	0	1	0	0
Gallagher, s	3	0	0	2	2	0
Spadafora, c	2	0	0	7	0	0
Barlow, c	2	0	0	9	0	0
Thompson, 1	3	0	2	5	1	0
Robarge, p	3	1	1	0	2	0
Totals	33	7	9	27	7	1

NEW YORK CITY	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Schess, 2	3	1	1	1	1	0
b-Brown	1	0	0	0	0	0
Rosenberg, 2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cambreri, lf, 1	4	0	2	5	0	0
Venturino, s	4	0	1	3	2	0
Cintrone, 3, lf	4	1	1	2	3	0
Schachnow, 1	2	0	1	5	0	0
Rocca, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
c-Garbuila	1	0	0	0	0	0
Savia, rf	2	1	1	2	0	0
Donnelly, 3	1	0	0	0	0	0
d-Martinez	1	0	0	0	0	0
Kopec, c	3	0	0	8	1	1
Cunningham, cf	3	0	2	1	0	1
Weissheart, p	3	0	0	0	1	0
Bloom, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	33	3	9	27	8	2

PITTSFIELD	000	102	040—7
NEW YORK	100	200	000—3

RBI—Savia, Cunningham, Diorio 3, Boyd 2, Garivaltis 2, Venturin; 3B—Boyd, Savia, Cunningham; HR—Diorio, Garivaltis; Sac—Robarge, Traversa; DP—Thompson to Gallagher, Cintrone to Schachnow; left—New York 3, Pittsfield 4; BB—Weissheart, Robarge, Bloom 1; HO—Weissbart 8 in 7 (none out in 8th), Bloom 1 in 2; SO—Weissheart 5, Robarge 16, Bloom 3; L—Weissheart; U—Cisz and Horoho; T—2.07.

b—Struck out for Schess in 7th.
c—Struck out for Rocco in 7th.
d—Struck out for Donnelly in 9th.

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Dixon, 3	3	0	0	2	1	0
Muraco, s	4	0	0	0	0	0
Morse, cf, c	4	0	0	1	4	1
Phillips, rf	4	0	1	2	0	0
Klenk, 1	4	1	2	6	0	1
Jack, lf	3	2	0	0	0	0
Campbell, 2	4	1	1	0	3	0
Hellegass, c	3	0	1	13	1	0
Mirabelli, cf	0	1	0	0	0	0
f-Freshliater, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Houston, p	3	1	1	0	1	0
Werwie, p	1	0	1	0	1	0

HIGHLAND VOLS	ab	r	h	o	a	e
O'Neill, 3	4	2	1	0	0	2
P. Woods, lf	3	1	0	1	0	0
J. Woods, rf, c	4	1	0	2	0	0
Lamontagne, 2	4	0	0	1	4	0
McGarrity, 1	3	0	0	11	1	0
McGinty, lf	2	0	1	0	0	0
Stadnicki, p	3	0	1	0	2	1
e-Donoghue	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ferriter, p	0	0	0	1	0	0
Consineau, c	2	0	0	9	0	1
Quirk, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
O'Donnell, s	4	1	2	0	0	1
Totals	31	5	5	x25	7	5

PITTSBURGH	000	030	102—6
HOLYOKE	200	000	300—5

RBI—McGinty, Stadnicki, Hellegass, LaMontagne 2, Werwie 2; 2B—Werwie; 3B—Klenk; LOB—Pittsburgh 7, Holyoke 10; HP—by Stadnicki (Jack); SO—Houston 11, Stadnicki 7.

x-One out when winning run scored
a-Flied out for Stadnicki in 7th

Third Baseman Jackie Brennan To Be Starting Pitcher at Johnstown

Majestics, With 2-1 Record, Will Play Late in Afternoon

Pittsfield Team Beats Brooklyn 11-2 After Losing to Buffalo 8-1—Ludlow Or Maryland State To Be Next Foe

JOHNSTOWN, Pa.—Facing a fight for survival, Coach Dan Healy of the Pittsfield (Mass.) Majestics said that he will gamble on Jack Brennan, regular third baseman, as the starting pitcher in his team's fourth round game in the All-American amateur tournament here late this afternoon. The Majestics remained in contention after breaking even in two games yesterday. They trounced Brooklyn, N.Y., 11-2 last night after losing to Buffalo, N.Y., 8-1 in the afternoon.

Robarge in Reserve

The Majestics will play the winner of the Maryland State-Ludlow (Mass.) Boys' Club game, which is listed for 1 PM.

Trying desperately to keep his thin mound staff in condition, Healy said he preferred to hold ace Bruce Robarge in reserve. Robarge has scored three straight tournament wins, two in 1952 and a 7-3 conquest of the New York Sultans Wednesday. His 16-strikeout total in that game is the second highest posted in the nine-year history of the tournament. The highest was Roger Bowman's 24 for Amsterdam, N.Y. Bowman several years later was signed by the New York Giants.

Right-hander Denny Cohen received credit for the win last night as a relief pitcher. He was the loser as the starter in the afternoon.

Two games pairing unbeaten teams feature today's program. Johnstown meets Buffalo, and Washington, D.C., opposes Pittsburgh, Pa. All have 2-0 records.

Six Teams Eliminated

Six of the 16 teams were eliminated yesterday when they suffered their second losses. They were Altoona, Pa., Allentown, Pa., Baltimore, Md., Brooklyn, New York and Zanesville, Ohio.

Ludlow beat Holyoke, Mass., 7-2 in the second round. A protest by Holyoke that Ludlow had used an ineligible player was not allowed. Holyoke charged that George Kelleher Jr., former Westfield High and Deerfield Academy star, wasn't on the original Ludlow list.

Central New Jersey and New Orleans, both with 2-1 records, will meet in the remaining game on the schedule.

Majestics 11, Brooklyn 2

Pittsfield, a two-time tournament winner itself, foiled Brooklyn's bid to become the tournament's first triple winner by eliminating the Buddy Lee Cadets, 11-2. Now the Majestics can gun for that honor alone.

The Majestics, held to five hits in losing earlier to Buffalo, managed just seven safe blows off three Cadets, but combined them with six errors to score an easy victory.

Cohen, charged with the Buffalo setback in a six-inning stint, came back in the nightcap in a 3⅔-inning relief chore to gain credit for the triumph.

Garivaltis beat out an infield hit with two down in the first inning to set the first scoring offensive in motion. Bob Boyd doubled him home, and Pittsfield led, 1-0.

Brooklyn came right back with a run in its half of the inning. Jim Riley singled and Jack Paracandola walked. Howie Solow forced Riley at third on a sacrifice attempt. After Incontrera legged out a chop in front of the plate for a hit, Frank Capasso singled across one run.

The Majestics then pulled off their first of three double plays that kept Brooklyn stymied. Joe Asciolla grounded to first baseman Jack Thompson, who forced Solow at home. Catcher Joe Spadafora fired the ball back to Thompson in an attempt to double Asciolla. His throw was too late, but Thompson returned the ball in time to get Incontrera trying to score from second.

In Pittsfield's third, George Gallagher walked and Garivaltis was hit with a pitched ball. Boyd knocked in his second run with a hit to center. Jack Brennan was a strikeout victim, but Thompson strolled to fill the bases. Spadafora's drive landed on the screen in left field, driving in two runs. Thompson crossed home plate with the fourth run of the inning on an error.

The Massachusetts team didn't need a hit to score twice more in the fourth inning. Garivaltis and Boyd walked. They then successfully worked a double steal, with Charley scoring on a throwing error by catcher Tony Castelli. Boyd stole home for the seventh counter.

Garivaltis Homers

Two errors and Gallagher's double gave Pittsfield two more runs in the seventh. Garivaltis rang up two more by driving himself and Gallagher home with a towering smash over the left-field barrier, his second round-tripper of the tournament.

Buffalo 8, Majestics 1

Frank Kicks of Buffalo — the only team to stop the Majestics in the 1952 tournament — did it again yesterday, pinning the first loss on the defending champions, 8-1.

A grand-slam circuit clout in the fifth inning by Ron Schmitt started the Majestics on the road to defeat. That blow, coupled with the five-hit pitching of Nick Koleff, kept the New York state club undefeated.

Pittsfield reached Koleff for its lone run in the first inning when Boyd singled through the box into center field. Garivaltis followed with a smash into left-center that went for two bases, scoring Boyd. Garivaltis scampered to third when second baseman Tom Ryan let the outfield throw get away. He was left stranded, however, as Chico Diorio and Jack Brennan struck out.

Buffalo bounced back to tie the score in its half of the inning. Jack Brown strolled, stole second and advanced to third on a passed ball. He tallied on Don Colpoy's ground single into left field.

The tight pitching duel between Koleff and Cohen ended in the fifth. Cohen hit Steve Mandy on the elbow to put the leadoff batter on base. Koleff sacrificed him to second. Cohen then issued passes to Dale Hohl and Colpoys after whiffing Brown for the second out.

Schmitt's Grand Slam

The key play in the inning came when Ryan beat out a high chop to third-baseman Brennan who took the ball near the bag, but had no chance for a force play there as Mandy scored the tie-breaking run. Schmitt then connected for his climactic home run to clear the bases and push Buffalo far in front, 6-1.

Buffalo nicked reliefer Joe Spadafora for their final runs in the eighth. Walks again got the Majestics into trouble as Colpoys and Paul Schiefferle walked with one out. Schmitt again delivered in the clutch, doubling one runner home. Schiefferle later scored on Pray's tap toward first base.

Koleff allowed the Majestics only two hits after the second inning—both in the sixth inning. He struck out 11. Koleff fanned three Pittsfield batters in the first and two in each of the sixth and eighth.

Pittsfield stranded two runners in each of the fifth, sixth and seventh innings. The Majestics threatened to cme back following Buffalo's five-run bombardment in the fifth when Boyd and Garivaltis led off the inning with singles. But DiOrio ppped out and Brennan and Cohen struck out.

The scores:

PITTSFIELD	ab	r	h	po	a	e
DiOrio, 2b	4	0	0	1	2	1
Pelkey, 2b	2	0	0	1	1	0
Gallagher, ss	4	2	1	1	3	0
Garivaltis, rf	3	4	2	2	1	0
Traversa, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Boyd, cf	3	2	2	0	0	0
Dalone, 3b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brennan, 3b, p	5	0	1	2	0	1
Thompson, 1b	2	1	0	6	1	0
T. Bossidy, 1b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spadafora, c	5	1	1	11	1	1
Evans, lf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cohen, p, cf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Meandro, p, lf	3	0	0	2	1	0
Wuinee, lf	1	1	0	1	0	0
	34	11	7	27	10	3

BROOKLYN	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Riley, 2b	5	0	3	2	4	0
Paracandola, ss	3	1	1	4	2	1
Solow, lf	5	0	2	0	0	0
Incontrera, cf, rf	5	0	1	1	0	0
Capasso, 3b	4	0	1	2	1	2
Liddy, 3b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Asciolla, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Flock, cf	1	0	1	1	1	0
Judge, 1b	3	0	0	5	1	2
Castelli, c	3	1	0	12	1	2
Judson, p	1	0	1	0	0	0
Fishel, p	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lipson, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
	33	2	10	27	11	6

Pittsfield	104	200	400—11
Brooklyn	100	100	000— 2

Runs batted in, Gallagher 2, Garivaltis 2, Boyd 2, Spadafora, Solo, Capasso. Two-base hits, Gallagher, Boyd. Home run, Garivaltis. Sacrifice, Meandro. Double plays, Thompson, Spadafora, Thompson and Spadafora; Gallagher, DiOrio and Thompson; Gallagher and Thompson; Capasso (unassisted); Paracandola, Riley and Judge. Left on bases, Pittsfield 8, Brooklyn 11. Stolen bases, Garivaltis, Boyd 2. Base on balls, off Meandro 3, Cohen 1, Brennan 1, Judson 5, Fishel 5, Lipson 1. Struck out, by Meandro 1, Cohen 5, Brennan 3, Judson 3, Fishel 5, Lipson 2. Hits, off Meandro, 5 in 2 1-3 innings; Cohen, 2 in 3 2-3; Brennan, 3 in 3; Judson, 4 in 2 1-3; Fishel, 3 in 5 2-3; Lipson, 1 in 1. Passed ball, Spadafora. Hit by pitcher, by Judson (Garivaltis). Winning pitcher, Cohen. Losing pitcher, Judson. Umpires, Sukenik and Giosovich. Time, 3h, 6m.

PITTSFIELD	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Traversa, cf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Evans, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Spadafora, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pelkey, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	1
Boyd, lf	4	1	2	0	0	0
Garivaltis, rf	4	0	2	1	0	0
DiOrio, 2b, ss	4	0	0	4	3	0
Brennan, 3b, p	4	0	0	3	2	0
Cohen, p, cf	4	0	0	0	1	0
Gallagher, ss, 3b	3	0	0	0	4	1
Thompson, 1b	2	0	1	10	1	1
Donati, c	0	0	0	5	0	0
*Wuinee	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barlow, c	1	1	0	1	0	0
	30	1	5	24	11	3

BUFFALO	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Brown, rf	3	1	0	0	0	0
McCarthy, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hohl, ss	3	1	1	3	0	1
Colpoys, c	3	2	1	11	0	0
Ryan, 2b	3	2	1	1	2	1
Schiefferle, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Schmitt, cf	4	1	2	1	0	0
Pray, lb	3	0	1	6	1	0
Barrows, 3b	4	0	1	3	1	0
Mandy, lf	3	1	1	2	0	0
Koleff, p	3	0	0	1	3	1
	30	8	7	27	7	3

Pittsfield	100	000	000—1
Buffalo	100	050	020—8

*Ran for Donati in 4th.

Runs batted in, Garivaltis, Colpoys, Ryan, Schmitt 5, Pray. Two-base hits, Garivaltis, Schmitt. Home run, Schmitt. Sacrifice, Koleff. Left on bases, Pittsfield 7, Buffalo 8. Double play, Gallagher, DiOrio and Thompson. Base on balls, off Cohen 4, Spadafora 2, Brennan 1, Koleff 6. Struck out, by Cohen 6. Wild pitch, Brennan. Passed ball, Donati. Hits, off Cohen, 6 in 6 innings; Spadafora, 1 in 1-3; Brennan, 1 in 1 2-3. Hit by pitcher, by Cohen (Mandy); Brennan (Colpoys). Losing pitcher, Cohen. Umpires, Billetdeaux and Kostura. Time, 2h, 45m.

Pittsfield Baseball

8-21-53

Pittsfield, Aug. 21—St. Mary's defeated Bill Sables 9 to 5 in a playoff game at the Little Bigger League tonight at Deming Park. St. Mary's got eight runs off Chris Gilson as he allowed two hits 10 walks and two hit batsmen. The big gun for the victors was Pete Mitchell who had two singles.

The third and final game of the series will be played tomorrow at 1.30 at Deming Park. This game will decide the Pittsfield Little Bigger League champs. Score by innings:

St. Mary's	143	01—9	33
Sables	011	04—5	54

Batteries: Noguiera and Mitchell; Gilson, MacDonald and Gilbert.

Pittsfield Stays Alive In National Tourney

8-21-53

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Majestics Lose but Top Brooklyn, 11-2, at Johnstown; Holyoke and Ludlow Involved in Protested Tilt

Johnstown, Pa., Aug. 20—Pittsfield kept alive its hopes for the title here in the national AAABA baseball tournament tonight but the fate of Ludlow and Holyoke was in the hands of the tourney officials as a hectic day of play came to a close. Pittsfield's Majestics split even in their two games, losing in the afternoon to Buffalo, 8-1, but coming back at night for an 11-2 win over Brooklyn. The Majestics are slated to play again tomorrow afternoon. Ludlow took the measure of the Highland Vols of Holyoke, 7-2, but the losers protested the game in view of the fact that George Kelleher, Ludlow performer, is an alleged ineligible player. This will all be ironed out tomorrow before tourney action resumes. The loser in that one will be out in the cold in regards to staying alive in the double-elimination test.

Buffalo 8, Pittsfield 1

Pittsfield fell from the ranks of the unbeaten in its first start of the day as the result of a five run Buffalo rally in the fifth inning. The defending champions took the lead with a run in the opening canto but this was the extent of their scoring for the game as Nick Koff limited them to three hits for the last eight innings.

Bob Boyd and Charlie Garivaltis hit successive singles in the first canto which led to a run when the centerfielder let the second base knock get away from him. The Majestics made only two serious scoring threats in the late innings, leaving two men stranded in the sixth and seventh stanzas. Boyd and Garivaltis each singled to start the sixth but died on base. Pittsfield got two men aboard with one down in the seventh but they also were stranded.

Buffalo had knotted the count with a marker in the last of the first and the teams went along in a 1-1 tie until the New Yorkers fifth inning rally featured by a grand slam home run by Ron Schmitt off Denny Cohen, starting and losing Pittsfield twirler. The winners tallied a pair of runs in the seventh to close out the scoring.

Ludlow 7, Highland Vols 2

Belting starting pitcher Rog Marquis for three runs in the first inning, Ludlow gained a victory over its Western Mass. rival, the Highland Vols, for its first win in two tournament starts. It was the second loss for the Holyoke entry.

Doubles by Carl Kania and Jerry Kosecki and singles by Hank Caney and Orlando Jorge figured in the run-scoring. Singles by Kania and Jorge and a fielders choice give the Boys' Club a 4-0 edge in the second frame. The victors closed out their scoring with a marker in the sixth and two runs in the seventh. The latter scores came in on Rog Denault's home run.

Jorge pitched masterful ball for Ludlow, giving up only four hits and two unearned markers. The Vols garnered two of their base knocks in the third but failed to score. An error, a passed ball, and a single by John Woods broke the ice for Holyoke in the sixth. The other run came in the eighth on a pair of two-base errors.

Pittsfield 11, Brooklyn 2

Pittsfield won a wild night game from Brooklyn and now will play tomorrow afternoon. It's opponent depends on how the protest on the Holyoke Vols-Ludlow Boys' Club turns out. Should either of the teams remain in the tourney Pittsfield will play that club.

The Pittsfield victory over Brooklyn was featured by four run rallies in the third and seventh innings. Charlie Garavaltis hit a two-run homer for Pittsfield in the seventh. Both Dennis Cohen and Jack Brennan pitched effective relief ball.

Johnstown Results

SECOND ROUND

Allentown, Pa. 7, Altoona, Pa. 3
Buffalo, N. Y. 8, Pittsfield, Mass. 1
Johnstown, Pa. 10, Maryland State 3
Washington, D. C. 6, Zanesville, Ohio 4
Pittsburgh 5, New Orleans 4
Central Jersey 10, New York 3
Brooklyn 11, Baltimore 2
Ludlow, Mass. 7, Holyoke, Mass. 2 (Holyoke protested; decision pending)

THIRD ROUND

Pittsfield 11, Brooklyn 2
New Orleans 9, Allentown, Pa. 7
Central Jersey 7, Zanesville, Ohio 3

Johnstown Summaries

LUDLOW	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Kania, cf	5	2	2	1	0	1
Caney, 1	4	1	1	14	1	1
Kelleher, 3	5	0	2	3	5	1
Jorge, p	5	1	2	1	7	0
Kosecki, lf	5	0	1	1	0	1
Charron, c	5	2	2	5	0	1
Denault, rf	4	1	2	1	0	0
Salojo, 2	4	0	0	1	6	0
Kijik, s	3	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	40	7	12	27	19	6

HIGHLAND VOLS	ab	r	h	o	a	e
O'Neil, 3	5	0	0	2	2	0
P. Woods, cf	3	0	0	4	1	0
Marquis, p	3	0	0	0	2	0
Quirk, p	1	1	0	0	1	0
La Montague, 2	3	1	0	5	3	1
J. Woods, lf, c	4	0	1	1	0	0
McGarrity, 1	4	0	1	8	0	2
McGinty, rf, lf	4	0	1	2	1	0
O'Donnell, s	3	0	1	2	1	0
a-Alexander	1	0	0	0	0	0
Cousineau, c	1	0	0	3	1	0
Stadnicki, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	2	4	27	12	4

LUDLOW	310	001	200—7
HIGHLAND VOLS	000	001	010—2

RBI—Caney, Jorge 2, Kosecki, Denault 2, J. Woods; 2B—Kania, Charron 2, Kelleher; 3B—Kelleher; HR—Denault; SB—Kania; S—Kijek; DP—McGinty to McGarrity; LOB—Ludlow 10, Holyoke 8; BB—Jorge 2, Marquis 2; HO—Marquis 11 in 7 innings, Quirk 1 in 2; HP—Marquis (Denault), Jorge (Cousineau); SO—Jorge 5, Marquis 3; PB—Charron; U—Christner & Weyant; T—2:22.

a—Struck out for O'Donnell in 9th.

BUFFALO	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Brown, rf	3	1	0	0	0	0
McCarthy, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hohl, s	3	1	0	2	0	1
Colpoys, c	2	2	1	11	1	0
Ryan, 2	3	2	1	1	2	0
Schifferle, 2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Schmitt, cf	4	1	2	1	0	0
Pray, 1	4	0	1	6	1	1
Barrows, 3	4	0	1	3	1	0
Mandy, lf	3	1	1	2	0	0
Koff, p	3	0	0	1	3	0
Totals	30	8	7	27	8	2

PITTSFIELD	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Traversa, cf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Evans, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Spadafora, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pelkey, 2	0	0	0	0	0	1
Boyd, lf	4	1	2	0	0	0
Garivaltis, rf	4	0	2	1	0	0
DiOrio, 2, s	4	0	0	3	3	0
Brennan, 3, p	4	0	0	3	2	0
Cohen, p, cf	4	0	0	0	1	0
Gallagher, s, 3	3	0	0	0	4	1
Thompson, 1	2	0	1	11	1	1
Donati, c	0	0	0	5	1	0
a-Wiunee	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barlow, c	1	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	30	1	5	24	12	3

BUFFALO	100	050	200—8
PITTSFIELD	100	000	000—1

RBI—Schmitt 5, Colpoys, Ryan, Pray; 2B—Schmitt; HR—Schmitt; SB—Brown, Barrows, Pray; Sac—Koff; DP—Gallagher to DiOrio to Thompson; left—Buffalo 8, Pittsfield 8; BB—Cohen 4, Spadafora 2, Koff 6, Brennan; HO—Cohen 6 in 6, Spadafora 1 in 1-3, Brennan 0 in 1 2-3; HBP—Cohen (Mandy), Brennan (Colpoys); SO—Cohen 6, Koff 11; WP—Cohen, Brennan; U—Billetdeaux and Kostura; T—2.31.

a—Ran for Donati in 7th.

PITTSFIELD	ab	r	h	o	a	e
DiOrio, 2	4	0	0	1	2	1
Pelkey, 2	2	0	0	1	1	0
Gallagher, s	4	2	1	2	4	0
Garivaltis, rf	3	4	2	2	1	0
Boyd, cf	3	2	2	0	0	0
Dalone, 3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brennan, 3, p	5	0	1	2	0	0
Thompson, 1	2	1	0	4	2	0
Spadafora, c	5	1	1	12	1	1
Evans, lf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cohen, p, cf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Meandrow, p, lf	3	1	0	2	1	0
Wuinee, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	11	7	27	12	2

BROOKLYN	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Riley, 2	5	0	3	3	3	0
Paracandola, s	3	1	1	3	3	0
Solow, lf	5	0	2	0	0	0
Incontrera, rf	5	0	1	1	0	0
Capasso, 3	4	0	1	2	1	2
Liddy, 3	1	0	0	0	0	0
Asciolla, cf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Flock, cf	1	0	1	1	1	0
Judge, 1	3	0	0	6	1	1
Castilli, c	3	1	0	11	1	2
Judson, p	1	0	1	0	0	0
Fishel, p	1	0	0	0	1	0
Lipson, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	2	10	27	11	6

PITTSFIELD	104	200	400—11
BROOKLYN	100	100	000— 2

RBI—Gallagher 2, Garivaltis 2, Boyd 2, Spadafora 2, Paracandola, Solow; 2B—Boyd; HR—Garivaltis; SB—Garivaltis Boyd 2; S—Meandrow; SO—Judson 3, Fishel 5, Lipson 2, Meandrow 1, Cohen 5, Brennan 2; W—Cohen; L—Judson; U—Sukenik, Golsovick; T—3:07.

Pittsfield in 6-5 Loss; Ludlow Also Eliminated

8-21-53

Majestics Bow to Maryland Team as Final Western Mass. Entry Bows Out at Johnstown

By JIM REGAN

Johnstown, Pa., Aug. 21—Failing in its bid to reach the quarterfinals when it dropped a 6-5 decision to Leones, Maryland state champions, the Pittsfield Majestics tonight became the third of three Western Massachusetts nines to be eliminated from the 11th annual All-American Amateur Baseball Association Tournament.

Protests Denied

Pittsfield, the defending champions, won two games before suffering their second defeat in this double-elimination tournament.

The Maryland nine also ousted the Ludlow Boys' Club from further play by winning another 6-5 squeaker in the morning. Both games were played at Point Stadium. Ludlow and the Highland Vols, Holyoke Parks League champions, had filed protests against each other last night but at 3 this morning both protests were denied and the game stood as played, a 7-2 win for Ludlow, which resulted in the Paper City team's elimination.

A line drive to center field which eluded Bob Boyd went for a triple to break a 5-all tie in the last half of the ninth inning to send Pittsfield under for the second time. Leones held a 6-4 edge over Ludlow in the morning but a ninth inning rally fell short by one run of tieing the score which resulted in the ouster of the Suburban League champions.

Thompson Triples

A three run rally in the fifth inning gave the Berkshire County team a four run edge over Maryland but this margin was short-lived when the Baltimore boys came up with a three-run spurt in the last of the fifth. The game was tied up with a single run in the seventh with the winning marker coming with two down in the ninth.

A successful double steal executed by Dick DiOrio and Charlie Garivaltis gave Dan Healy's team a run in the first. Boyd was robbed of an extra base blow in the third but DiOrio scored from third after the catch. Jack Thompson hit a base-clearing triple to account for the three runs in the fifth inning.

This completed the Pittsfield scoring although the Majestics twice threatened but Ron Babkoff proved tough when runners got aboard.

Jack Brennan hit a smash to the left center field wall on which Herm Amelung made a leaping catch to save a run in the seventh. In the ninth Pittsfield got runners on second and third but failed to score.

Ray Meandro was the victim of the fifth inning rally by Maryland with Denny Cohen coming in to retire the side. Brennan took over the pitching chores and was exceptionally effective. With one down in the ninth. Bob Buckheit singled to right. Bruce Robarge, fireballing right-hander, was summoned to the hill and fanned Amelung.

Brennan Smashes One

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Ludlow, led 2-1 going into the sixth inning when Leones came up with four runs on three hits to drive Rog Denault from the mound. The Boys' Club came back with two runs in the last half of the same frame to cut the gap to one run.

The Baltimore team pushed across another marker in the seventh and left the bases loaded. Jimmy Saloi singled to open the Ludlow ninth and moved to second on an error. On an attempted double play, a wild throw permitted Saloio to score and [illegible]

Johnstown Box Scores

MARYLAND STATE	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Backhet, 1	4	2	1	1	0	1
Omelung, cf	4	1	1	0	0	0
Wollford, 2	2	1	1	1	2	0
Hamper, s	4	1	0	3	4	2
Hurley, lf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Hahn, rf	2	0	0	1	0	1
McCarron, p	4	0	1	9	0	1
Marr, c	4	1	2	12	0	2
Gunning, p	4	0	2	0	2	0
Totals	32	6	8	27	8	7

LUDLOW	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Gauthier, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Gonyea, cf	1	0	0	1	0	0
a-Knapp	1	0	0	0	0	0
Caney, 1	5	0	1	12	0	0
b-Desautels	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kelleher, s	3	0	0	2	1	0
b-Kizek, ss	0	0	0	0	0	0
c-Jack	1	0	0	0	0	0
Jorge, 3	4	2	1	3	2	0
Kosecki, lf	3	1	2	2	0	1
Charron, c	4	0	0	3	1	0
Denault, rf, p	2	0	0	1	2	1
Soloio, 2	2	1	1	3	4	0
Kania, cf	1	1	0	0	0	0
Zebrowski, p	1	0	0	0	2	0
Dowd, p	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	5	5	27	12	3

MARYLAND	001	004	100—6
LUDLOW	010	012	001—5

RBI—Wollford 2, McCarron 2, Caney, Marr, Soloio. HR—Marr. SB—Jorge, Kosecki, Kania, Kelleher, Wollford, Amelung. SAC—Amelung, Hurley, Soloio. DP—Denault to Caney, Kelleher to Soloio to Caney, Jorge to Kizek to Caney, Hamper to McCarron to Backhet. Left—Maryland 8, Ludlow 6. BB—Denault 3, Zebrowski 2, Dowd 2, Gunning 4. HO—Denault 3 in 5 1-3, Zebrowski 3 in 1, Dowd 2 in 2 2-3. HBP—By Gunning (Kosecki). SO—Gunning 10, Denault 3, Zebrowski 1. PB—Charron. L—Denault. U—Mihalik and Contini. T—2:44.

a—Reached on error for Gonyea in 9th.
b—Ran for Caney in 9th.
c—Struck out for Kizek in 9th.

MARYLAND STATE	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Buckheit, 3	5	2	3	0	3	0
Amelung, cf	5	2	0	3	0	0
Woolford, 2	3	1	2	1	1	0
Hamper, s	4	0	2	3	2	1
Bosse, rf	2	0	0	1	0	0
O'Mally, rf	2	0	0	1	0	0
Hahn, lf	2	0	0	1	0	0
McCarron, 1	3	0	0	8	0	0
Marr, c	4	1	2	8	0	0
Bobkoff, p	4	0	0	0	3	0
Totals	34	6	9	27	9	1

PITTSFIELD	ab	r	h	o	a	e
DiOrio, s, 2	3	2	1	3	2	0
Gallagher, 3, s	5	1	2	0	3	1
Garivaltis, rf	5	1	4	0	0	0
Boyd, lf, cf	4	1	0	1	0	0
Brennan, p, 3	4	0	0	1	4	0
Thompson, 1	4	0	1	9	0	0
Traverse, cf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Dalone, 3	0	0	0	1	0	1
Pelkey, 2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robarge, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barlow, c	2	0	0	5	0	0
Spadafora, c	1	0	0	2	0	0
Meandro, p	2	0	0	0	2	0
Cohen, p, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	5	8	26a	10	2

MARYLAND STATE	100	030	101—6
PITTSFIELD	101	030	000—5

RBI—Boyd, Thompson, Buckheit, Woolford 3, Hamper; 2B—Buckheit 2; 3B—Mapper, Woolford 2; SB—DiOrio, Galrivaltis 2, Amelung; SAC—McCarron; left—Pittsfield 9, Maryland State 7; BB—Meandro 3, Brennan 6; HO—Meandero 6 in 4 1-3, Cohen 0 in 2-3, Brennan 2 in 3 1-3, Robarge 1 in 1-3; SO—Meandro, Cohen, Brennan 3, Babkoff 8, Robarge; U—Kostura and Billetdeeux; T—2.28; L—Brennan.

In Brief . . .

It was typical of the mayor in announcing his candidacy to turn his back on the tradition of incumbent politicians to offer themselves at a moment when the voters are least likely to be thinking of how much it costs to run a city . . . The appointment of Jack Perry to an assistant professorship in recreation at the U. of M. while retaining his superintendency at Leominster seems to indicate that he is as much of a dynamo as ever . . . Congratulations to Jack French, third member of the Pittsfield Kiwanis Club to be elected lieutenant governor of the division in the 25-year history of the club. He follows Frank Limont and the late Bob Easland . . .

Fred Myers Jr. brings some valuable background to the Pittsfield Housing Board through his membership on the Community Council committee which made the important citywide study of substandard housing last year . . . Although we hope it isn't needed, luck to the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club, which will conduct its annual drive tomorrow. Few organizations in the city are able to do so much good with so little financial help . . .

THOUGHTS WHILE ROCKING: As predicted, James Cramer's comedy came off all right last night at Country Club of Pittsfield. Written, directed and played by teen-age club members with several professional touches, including thin spot in third act. Audience liked Barr Clayson best as Mad Russian . . . Declension; Iran, Youran, We-All-Ran . . . See where Mrs. William C. Root's cousin, Mrs. H. Hyland of Montreal, won garden prize over 231 competitors. Who says Canada land of ice and snow? . . . Local matron delighted when her youngsters grabbed up *Eagle* school supplement, until she found they were searching for schedule showing how many days off in school year . . . Judges of the Parks and Recreation Department safety contest puzzled by one entry from playground kid: "Keep the grass green. Play in the trees." Safety first indeed! . . . Attorneys J. S. Aaronson and John J. Dwyer held open house yesterday in their handsome new offices on East Street opposite Courthouse. Refreshments of all kinds. Phrase "members of the bar" took on new, carefree meaning . . . Yvonne Chouteau dancing this week end at Jacob's Pillow is daughter-in-law of orchestra conductor Pierre Monteaux who led Tanglewood musicians this summer in one program . . . Has U.S. foreign policy put the country behind the hate ball abroad? . . . Local barbers when giving youngsters neck shave after haircut use safety razor. Three guesses why . . .

8-21-53

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RESURRECTION: A beautiful unblighted chestnut tree is growing in the yard of the Snell home in Stephentown, bearing at least 100 burrs. If it is a naturally blight-resistant strain, the Berkshires may again be clothed in handsome chestnut trees such as were swept away by disease some 25 years ago.

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WOULD LIKE to draw your attention to the canvass Saturday for the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Fund. Many earnest men and women will trudge the city house-to-house to secure funds to keep up their unpretentious, worthwhile work. Talked with Mrs. Alfred E. Clark who says public seems to approve them. In all their canvassing have been turned down flatly only twice, by people who were out of work. This is a record no other group can equal. Their work is year round. Their drive is one day. Be a cheerful giver.

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Brady's Tops Richman Club

8-22-53

Brady's Market topped the Richman Club, 7-4, in the only Park Department Softball League game at Deming Field last night. Hits were evenly distributed between the two teams as Jackacky of the winners pitched brilliantly. Pomerleau led the attack at the plate with three for four, including a bases-loaded triple in the fourth.

E. D. Jones and Richman Club meet Monday night at 6.30 on Deming's diamond No. 2.

8-22-53

Sponsoring an amateur baseball team can be quite expensive. Dan Healy, manager and coach of the Majestic Restaurant team, which defended its title in the tournament at Johnstown, Pa., this week, says that Frankie and Tony Martin, proprietors of the restaurant, spent $1800 on the club last year, and are putting up much cash this year.

St. Mary's Evens Score With Sable's

8-22-53

Final Contest For L.B.L. Title Scheduled Monday

St. Mary's, the national division champion, evened the score against Bill Sable's with a 9-5 victory at Deming Field last night. Each team now owns a victory and the third and final game is being played today.

St. Mary's hitters took advantage of Chris Gilson's wildness in the second. One hit and five passes resulted in four runs. One in the first, three more in the third and another in the fifth pushed the total up.

Gilson and reliever Bill MacDonald yielded only three hits, but an abundance of bases on balls was harmful. Benny Nogueira, who went the distance for the winners, gave up only five hits as he fanned four men and walked five. Sable's scored once in the third and four in the fifth. The contest was called after five innings because of darkness.

The score:

ST. MARY'S	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	3	2	1	1	2	1
Gregory, 2b	2	2	0	3	2	0
Bennett, 3b	2	2	0	1	0	1
Mitchell, c	4	0	2	4	1	0
LeClair, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nogueira, p	2	0	0	0	3	1
Mazzeo, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Lennon, 1b	0	1	0	6	0	0
Greenleaf, lf	1	2	0	0	0	0
	17	9	3	15	8	3

BILL SABLE'S	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Dellert, 3b	2	1	0	1	0	1
Starkey, ss	2	1	0	1	1	1
Dick Lee, cf	2	1	2	0	0	0
Gilson, 1b	2	1	1	2	0	0
Dick Heidel, lf	3	0	1	0	0	0
MacDonald, rf, p	3	0	0	2	2	0
Gilbert, c	3	0	1	6	2	1
Perry, 1b, 2b	2	0	0	3	0	1
Gallagher, 2b, rf	0	1	0	0	1	0
	19	5	5	15	6	4

St. Mary's	143	01	—9
Bill Sable's	001	04	—5

Runs batted in, Bennett 2, Mitchell, LeClair 2, Nogueira, Gilson, Heidel 2. Stolen base, LeClair. Double plays, Nogueira, Gregory to Lennon; MacDonald to Gilbert. Left on bases, St. Mary's 8, Bill Sable's 5. Base on balls, off Gilson 10, MacDonald 3, Nogueira 5. Struck out, by Gilson 3, MacDonald 1, Nogueira 4. Hits, off Gilson, 2 in 3 innings; MacDonald, 1 in 2. Hit by pitcher, by Gilson (Gregory, Bennett). Winning pitcher, Nogueira. Losing pitcher, Gilson. Umpires, Thompson, Knox, Gans. Time, 1h, 55m.

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Majestics Are Eliminated From Johnstown Tourney

8-22-53

Maryland State Scores 6-5 Victory On Ed Woolford's Triple in Ninth— Charley Garivaltis Hits for .625

JOHNSTOWN, Pa. — Pittsfield's Majestics reached the end of the AAABA tournament trail yesterday afternoon, bowing in the ninth inning to Maryland State, 6-5, despite desperation strategy by Manager Dan Healy.

A two-out triple by Ed Woolford drove home Bob Buckheit from first base with the run that [illegible] the Majestics. Earlier in the day, Maryland State had eliminated Ludlow, Mass., by the identical score.

Third baseman Jack Brennan, who was forced to relieve in three games because of Healy's thin mound staff, retired the first batter he faced in the ninth. But Buckheit nicked him for a solid hit to center.

Robarge Relieves

Manager Healy decided it was time to play his ace. Hoping to save Bruce Robarge for an assignment today, Healy had used Ray Meandro, Denny Cohen and Brennan in an attempt to thwart the Southerners. But he could afford to hold off no longer. Healy summoned Robarge.

Young Bruce, who struck out 16 batters in his team's opening tournament game, fanned the first batter he faced for out No. 2. Up stepped dangerous Woolford, who previously had tripled two runners home in a three-run fifth-inning attack. He lined a smash into dead center field. Bob Boyd charged the ball, trying for a catch, but it eluded him as Buckheit raced from first base to the plate.

Pittsfield scored a run in the first when Chico DiOrio walked and hustled to third on Charley Garivaltis's first of two doubles. The big outfielder banged out four hits to finish with a .625 batting average (10 for 16). DiOrio and Garivaltis then worked a double steal for the tally.

Maryland State tied the score in the lower half of the first. Woolford walked, and came in on Earl Hamper's triple to center field. Pittsfield went ahead 2-1 in the third, and seemed to be headed for a comfortable win when it scored three times in the fifth.

In that fruitful turn, George Gallagher beat out an infield hit. Garivaltis doubled him to third. Boyd was passed intentionally. Then Jackie Thompson cleared the basis with a triple.

Maryland State made three runs in the bottom of the fifth, and tied the score in the seventh on a two-base error, a stolen base and Hamper's single.

Ron Babkoff, a lanky lefthander, held Pittsfield to three hits after the fifth. He struck out eight. Brennan, who was making his third relief appearance in two days, was charged with the loss.

The score:

MARYLAND STATE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Buckheit, 3b	5	2	3	0	3	0
Amelung, cf	5	2	0	3	0	0
Woolford, 2b	3	1	2	2	1	0
Hamper, ss	4	0	2	2	2	0
Bosse, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Malley, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Hahn, lf	2	0	0	3	0	0
McCarron, 1b	3	0	0	8	0	0
Marr, c	4	1	2	9	0	0
Babkoff, p	4	0	0	0	3	0
	34	6	9	27	9	0

PITTSFIELD

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
DiOrio, 2b, ss	3	2	1	5	2	0
Gallagher, ss, 3b	5	1	2	0	3	1
Garivaltis, rf	5	1	4	0	0	0
Boyd, lf, cf	4	1	0	1	0	0
Brennan, 3b, p	4	0	0	1	4	0
Thompson, 1b	4	0	1	9	0	0
Traversa, cf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Dalone, 3b	0	0	0	0	1	0
Pelkey, 2b	0	0	0	1	0	1
Robarge, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barlow, c	2	0	0	6	0	0
Spadafora, c	1	0	0	2	0	0
Meandro, p	2	0	0	0	2	0
Cohen, p	2	0	0	0	0	0
	35	5	8	26	11	2

Maryland State ..... 100 030 101—6
Pittsfield ..... 101 030 000—5

Runs batted in, Thompson 3, Brennan, Woolford 3, Buckheit, Hamper. Two-base hits, Garivaltis 2, Buckheit 2. Three-base hits, Thompson, Woolford 2, Hamper. Sacrifice, McCarron. Stolen bases, DiOrio, Garivaltis 3, Amelung. Left on bases, Pittsfield 10, Maryland State 7. Double play, Brennan, DiOrio and Thompson. Base on balls, off Meandro 2, Brennan 1, Babkoff 5. Struck out, by Meandro 3, Cohen 1, Brennan 3, Robarge 1, Babkoff 8. Hits, off Meandro, 6 in 4 1-3 innings; Cohen, 0 in 2-3; Brennan, 2 in 3 1-3; Robarge, 1 in 1-3. Losing pitcher, Brennan. Umpires, Kostura and Billetdeux. Time, 2h, 38m.

Semifinal Game Today In AAABA

8-24-53

Buffalo Opposes Washington in Johnstown Tourney

JOHNSTOWN, Pa. (UP)—Washington and Buffalo meet today for the right to play New Orleans for the championship of the All-American Amateur Baseball Association tournament, limited to boys up to 19.

Washington had a revenge motif in seeking another chance to play New Orleans. The team from the deep south handed Washington its first tourney loss yesterday with Bill Burke pitching a one-hit, 4-0, shutout.

New Orleans scored three unearned runs in the second inning on three errors and a wild pitch and Bob Stechman's bases - empty homer in the seventh completed the scoring.

Washington won four straight before losing to New Orleans. Two losses eliminate a contender.

Buffalo advanced by trouncing Pittsburgh, 13-0, with seven enemy errors easing the victory. The winners collected six of their nine hits in the ninth inning when they scored eight runs.

Pittsburgh racked up 10 hits but Washington Pitcher John Mirabelli kept them well scattered to preserve his shutout.

Buffalo also has a 4-1 record, its only defeat coming at the hands of Washington by a 9-5 count.

Sable's Take LBL Crown By Beating St. Mary's 5-0

8-24-53

Bill Sable's, behind the three-hit pitching of Don Perry, won the Little Bigger Baseball League championship by defeating St. Mary's 5-0 in the rubber game of their series Saturday afternoon at Deming Field. It was Perry's ninth consecutive victory.

Sable's concentrated its scoring in two big innings. Bob Bennett pitched shut-out ball until the fourth, when Sable's broke through for two runs. A three-run splurge in the sixth removed all doubt as to the outcome.

Chris Gilson doubled with two away in the fourth, and scored the first run of the game on Dick Heidel's triple. Heidel completed the circuit as second baseman Phil Gregory fumbled the throw-in.

In the sixth, singles by Gilson, MacDonald and Gallagher and three errors produced the three runs.

Gilson was the only player with two hits. The winners played errorless ball. Perry and Bennett each had six strike-outs.

BILL SABLE'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Dellert, 2b	3	0	0	2	2	0
Starkey, ss	1	1	0	0	3	0
Lee, 3b	3	0	0	1	2	0
Gilson, 1b	3	2	2	6	0	0
Heidel, cf	3	1	1	1	0	0
MacDonald, lf	3	1	1	1	0	0
Gallagher, rf	3	0	1	3	0	0
Gilbert, c	3	0	1	7	0	0
Perry, p	2	0	0	0	0	0
	24	5	6	21	7	0

ST. MARY'S

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Pellerin, ss	3	0	0	1	2	1
Gregory, 2b	3	0	1	2	1	1
Bob Bennett, p	2	0	0	0	1	0
Mitchell, c	3	0	0	6	1	0
LeClair, cf	2	0	1	1	0	0
Nogueira, 3b	2	0	0	1	0	0
Mazzeo, rf	2	0	1	2	0	0
Lennon, 1b	2	0	0	4	0	0
Greenleaf, lf	3	0	0	1	0	2
z-Ormsbee	0	0	0	0	0	0
zz-Hebler	1	0	0	0	0	0
zzz-Basiliere	1	0	0	0	0	0
	24	0	3	18	4	4

z-Batted for Mazzeo in 7th.
zz-Grounded out for Ormesbee in 7th.
zzz-Struck out for Lennon in 7th.

Bill Sable's ..... 000 203—5

Runs batted in, Heidel 2. Two base hit, Gilson. Three base hit, Heidel. Stolen bases, LeClair, Nogueira, Mazzeo 2. Left on bases, Bill Sable's 3, St. Mary's 6. Base on balls, off Perry 3, Bennett 2. Struck out, by Perry 6, Bennett 6. Umpires, Knox, Gans, Thompson. Time, 1h, 35.

$2831 Collected To Aid Shutins

8-24-53

Pittsfield, Aug. 23—The one day drive for funds conducted here Saturday for the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club has raised $2831 with indications that when all returns are in the amount will reach $2900. A total of $271.25 was received at the Legion baseball games in the afternoon and evening and the balance was picked up by children from the playgrounds who annually remember Bobby Kidney, polio victim, for whom the club was named.

The club committee has hoped for $2500 and are pleased with the Saturday result for it means that more can be done for the 260 shutins who comprise the club.

At the present time the committee has seven television sets with 17-inch screens that are loaned for one month to a shutin. Two moving picture machines are working seven nights a week showing movies in the homes of shutins. Birthday cakes and flowers are also sent to all members during the year.

L.B.L. Team Tops Chatham In Exhibition

8-20-53

Ed Plouffe Leads All-Star Group To 14-1 Victory

CHATHAM, N.Y. — The Pittsfield (Mass.) Little Bigger League All-Stars launched a 10-hit attack to defeat the Chatham Junior Legion All-Stars, 14-1, in an exhibition game here yesterday afternoon.

The contest was the feature of Lee Carey Day. Carey was the organizer of Little League and other junior baseball competition in this section, and has always been recognized for his work with children in this and other towns.

Pittsfield's Ed Plouffe was on the beam as he limited the opposition to two hits. He struck out eight men and walked only one. Three Chatham pitchers gave up 15 passes and struck out only five.

Pittsfield jumped off with one run in the first and added four more in the third, five in the fourth, three in the fifth and one in the sixth. Chatham's lone score came in the fifth. The game was called after six innings according to an agreement between the teams.

The score:

LITTLE BIGGER STARS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Genzebella, ss	2	3	1	1	1	0
Cohen, 2b	2	2	2	0	0	0
Gilbert, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Lee, cf, 2b	4	2	1	0	0	0
Gilson, 1b	4	2	2	8	0	0
Clayson, rf, cf	2	2	1	0	0	0
Heidel, lf	1	1	0	0	0	0
Clancy, lf	0	0	0	1	0	0
Quadrozzi, 3b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Walsh, 3b	1	0	0	1	0	0
Brindle, c	3	0	1	2	3	0
Tully, c	0	1	0	4	1	0
Plouffe, p	4	1	2	1	3	0
	26	14	10	18	8	0

CHATHAM JUNIOR LEGION

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bonzon, ss	3	0	0	0	0	0
Simmons, p, 2b	3	0	0	3	0	1
Gardner, c	2	0	0	5	3	3
Keller, 1b	2	0	0	4	0	0
Cooper, 3b	2	1	1	1	2	0
Weaver, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Alanillo, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Yerick, lf	1	0	1	1	0	0
Oles, rf, p	2	0	0	0	0	0
Johns, 2b, p, rf	2	0	0	4	1	0
	19	1	2	18	6	4

Little Bigger Stars ..... 104 531—14
Chatham Legion ..... 000 010— 1

Runs batted in, Cohen, Lee, Gilson 4, Clayson, Heidel, Quadrozzi. Three base hits, Cohen, Gilson. Stolen bases, Cohen, Gilson, Clayson 2, Heidel, Chaney, Plouffe. Left on bases, Chatham 1, Little Bigger Stars 9. Base on balls, off Plouffe 1, Simmons 7, Johns 4, Oles 3. Struck out, by Plouffe 8, Simmons 4, Johns 1. Hits, off Simmons 5 in 3 innings; off Johns 2 in 1 inning; off Oles 3 in 2 innings. Balk, Simmons. Winning pitcher, Ed Plouffe. Losing pitcher, Bob Simmons. Umpires, Holt and Kralam. Time, 1h, 40m.

New Orleans Entry Wins at Johnstown

8-25-53

JOHNSTOWN, Pa. (UP)—A jubilant New Orleans team took off for home in the Deep South today with its second All-American Amateur Baseball championship in the nine-year history of the event.

Home Run Difference

Extra-base power provided New Orleans with a 9-3 victory over Buffalo, N.Y., at Point Stadium last night. The score was tied at 3-all going into the sixth when Billy Linn cut loose with a two-run homer inside the park that put the Southerners ahead the rest of the way.

Don Summerhalter, who had three of nine hits collected by New Orleans, drove in a pair of tallies with a double and a triple.

New Orleans, winner of the 1948 title, claimed another tourney honor when Tony Chimento, strong-armed catcher, was presented with a trophy as the most valuable player of the tourney.

Three-Hit Pitching

Buffalo advanced to the finals earlier in the evening on a 3-1 triumph over Washington, D.C. Nick Koleff, who pitched a three-hitter, was deprived of a shutout in the fourth when he walked Phil Perlo, who took second on an infield out and scored on Pat Haley's single.

Koleff struck out 17 batters for the best record in that department in the tournament.

Richman Club Triumphs Over E. D. Jones

8-25-53

The Richman Club thumped E. D. Jones, 18-5, in a hard-hitting Park Department Softball League game last night at Deming Field. The winners banged out five homers, two by Frank Pivero, to take an early lead. Other heavy hitters were Mike Wowk with four safeties, and Woody Bailey with three. Dick Murphy and Armond Bordeau had two apiece for the losers.

The Eagles and Postal AC will meet on Deming's diamond No. 2, while Eaton Paper and the GE Drafters battle on diamond No. 3 in two games scheduled at 6.30 tonight.

8-26-53

BACK FROM Johnstown, Pa., Dan Healy, coach of the Majestics, reports that the calibre of baseball played in the All-American amateur tournament probably was the fastest in the history of the event. Dan is especially high on Nick Koleff, the star pitcher for Buffalo. Koleff beat the Majestics 8-1 on a five-hit, 11-strikeout job, then fanned 17 Washington batters in his final tourney appearance. Dan says he is every bit as good as Tommy Van Remmen, Buffalo's 1952 ace, who recently received a large bonus from the Detroit Tigers. Estimates of Van Remmen's bonus range as high as $60,000.

8-27-53

CUTBACK IS A term you usually associate with industry or football, but it describes what the Little Bigger Baseball League plans to do next year. They tell me that the league will go back to six teams, the same number it had in its first season in 1952. This year, in order to provide baseball for about 30 more boys, officials formed two four-team leagues.

In so doing, they lessened the city's chances of going somewhere in all-star team tournament play. The Pittsfield Nationals were good enough to win the state championship, but lost to Bristol, R.I., in the first round of the regional tournament.

There is no doubt that a merger of both of the city's leagues would have been strong enough to make a bid for the regional crown.

This certainly was one of the reasons for the league to tighten its lines. The other was the realization that six teams would seem to be enough for a city the size of Pittsfield.

It's no secret that some boys give up baseball after they finish in the Little League. So it apparently isn't feasible to attempt to operate eight fair teams. Six good ones should be much better. And then too, with only one league operating, Pittsfield will be able to present a united front in intersectional play.

Charley Garivaltis Becomes First Two-Time Batting King at Johnstown

Pittsfield Star's .625 Is Second Best in History

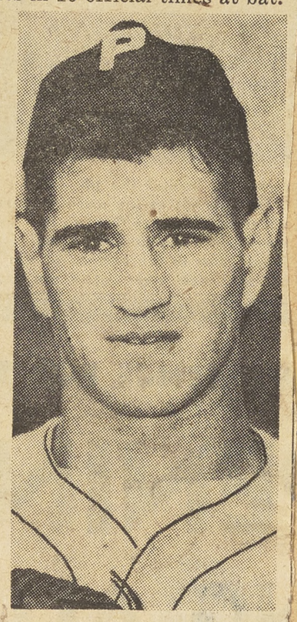
Outfielder, Who Had Two-Year Mark Of .533, Gets Support for MVP— Robarge Is Most Effective Pitcher

Special to The Eagle

JOHNSTOWN, Pa.—Pittsfield's Charley Garivaltis, king of the 1952 AABA tournament hitters, successfully defended his batting crown this year—an achievement that ranks with the best performances in the nine-year tournament history.

The 6-foot, 185-pound outfielder won the 1953 title with the second-best average ever recorded in the AABA. He hit .625, failing to hit just six times in 16 official times at bat.

It was the first time that any participant won two batting championships. Don Szen of Buffalo collected eight hits in 10 tries to lead the 1951 tournament with an .800 average. His mark is the only average superior to Garivaltis' percentage.



Charley Garivaltis

Charley collected 14 safeties in 29 appearances last year for a .483 average. His two-year average here is .533.

Garivaltis was runner-up in doubles and hits and tied for home run leadership. He hit three doubles, two home runs and stole four bases.

Previous batting champions were: 1945 — Shevick Maryland State) .524; 1946 — Taylor (Washington) .600; 1947 — O'Neill (Washington) .625; 1948 — Eddie O'Brien (Central Jersey), now with the Pirates, .524; 1949 — Torre (Brooklyn) .550; 1950 — Skarzynski (Central Jersey) .529; 1951 — Szen (Buffalo) .800.

Bruce Robarge was the Majestics' most effective pitcher. He won one game, worked 9 1/3 innings, striking out 17 and walking only one. Bruce won two games here last year.

Garivaltis was in contention for the most-valuable-player award that went to Tony Chimento, New Orleans' catcher. A seven-member committee differed widely in the choice of this year's outstanding player. Chimento won the award with three votes.

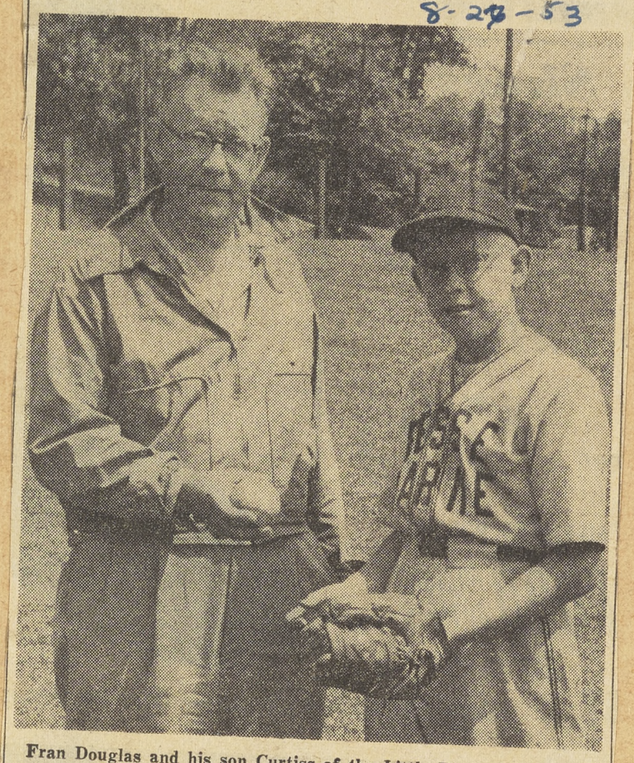
Bob Brennan of Holyoke was chosen most valuable in 1952.

Team Hit .220

Pittsfield's team batting average was .220, good for 12th ranking in the 16-team event. Only New Orleans, South River, N.J., and Baltimore compiled better fielding averages than the Majestics' .941.

Father-Son Combination

8-27-53



Fran Douglas and his son Curtiss of the Little Bigger League of Pittsfield have been a valuable combination in making the league the success it was during the season.

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Postal AC, Eagles Will Meet Again For Softball Title

The Postal AC and the Eagles, battling to a 6-6 tie in a game last night to decide the national division title in the Park Department's Softball League, will have another crack at the championship tomorrow night.

A three-run homer in the sixth by Shea of Postal evened the score and then the contest was called because of darkness.

Tomorrow's game at Deming will start at 6.30 PM.

9-15

Top 1953 Hitters Listed In Little Bigger League

8-27-53

The VFW and Polish Falcons in the National division and the Jets in the American had the four top hitters in the Little Bigger League at the end of the season, statistics compiled by Secretary Paul Brindle revealed today.

The highest batting average was attained by Jimmy Walsh of the VFW who finished the year at a .550 clip, hitting safely 33 out of 60 times at bat. Runnerup was teammate Alan Clayson with a .516 mark. Clayson connected 32 out of 62 tries.

Bobby Quadrozzi of the Falcons ran up a .463 average as he connected 25 out of 54 times.

Leading slugger in the American division was Ed Plouffe of the Jets with a .459 mark. Plouffe, in 37 times at bat, connected on 17 occasions.

Big Hitters

Other leading national division hitters were: Jim Denno, VFW, (.444); Mike Tully, VFW, (.438); Bob Bennett, St. Mary's, (.405); Butch LeClair, St. Mary's, (.387); Pete Mitchell, St. Mary's, (.381); Paul Gregory, St. Mary's, (.373); Jim Bresnahan, VFW, (.357); Bill Goodrich, Polish Falcons, (.353); John Shea, Polish Falcons, (.327); Pete Vollinger, Optimists, (.333); and Ed Keegan, Optimists, (.300).

Remaining American division sluggers were: Don Scholz, Rams, (.433); Dick Heidel, Sable's, (.417). Dick Lee, Sable's, (.415); Don Perry, Sable's, (.369); Chris Gilson, Sable's, (.369); Bob Porteri, Jets, (.367); Paul Brindle, Besse-Clarke, (.345); John Manship, Rams, (.327); Al Monteilione, Rams, (.326); John Seeley, Rams, (.326); John Gamberoni, Rams, (.321); Bob Woodin, Jets, (.316); Denny Cohen, Besse-Clarke, (.315); and Dick McCartney, Sable's, (.311).

Bobby Bennett of St. Mary's led the national circuit in homers with six, while Benny Nogueira of St. Mary's had five. Nogueira also led the division in stolen bases with 21, Walsh had the most triples, Clayson led in doubles and Walsh had the most runs batted in.

Home Run Leaders

Perry, Gilson and Paul Venti each had two homers to lead the American loop. Dick Lee had the most triples, while Manship, Plouffe and Perry shared stolen base honors. Constanze, Mele, Venti and Gilson had three doubles each, and Heidel had 22 RBI's.

Nogueira was the leading national division pitcher with a 6-2 record. Jim Basiliere (4-1) was second, followed by Walsh (6-3) and Bresnahan (5-1). Perry was the best American circuit hurler with a 7-0 mark. He was followed by Beals (3-0), Scholz (5-2), and Plouffe (2-0).

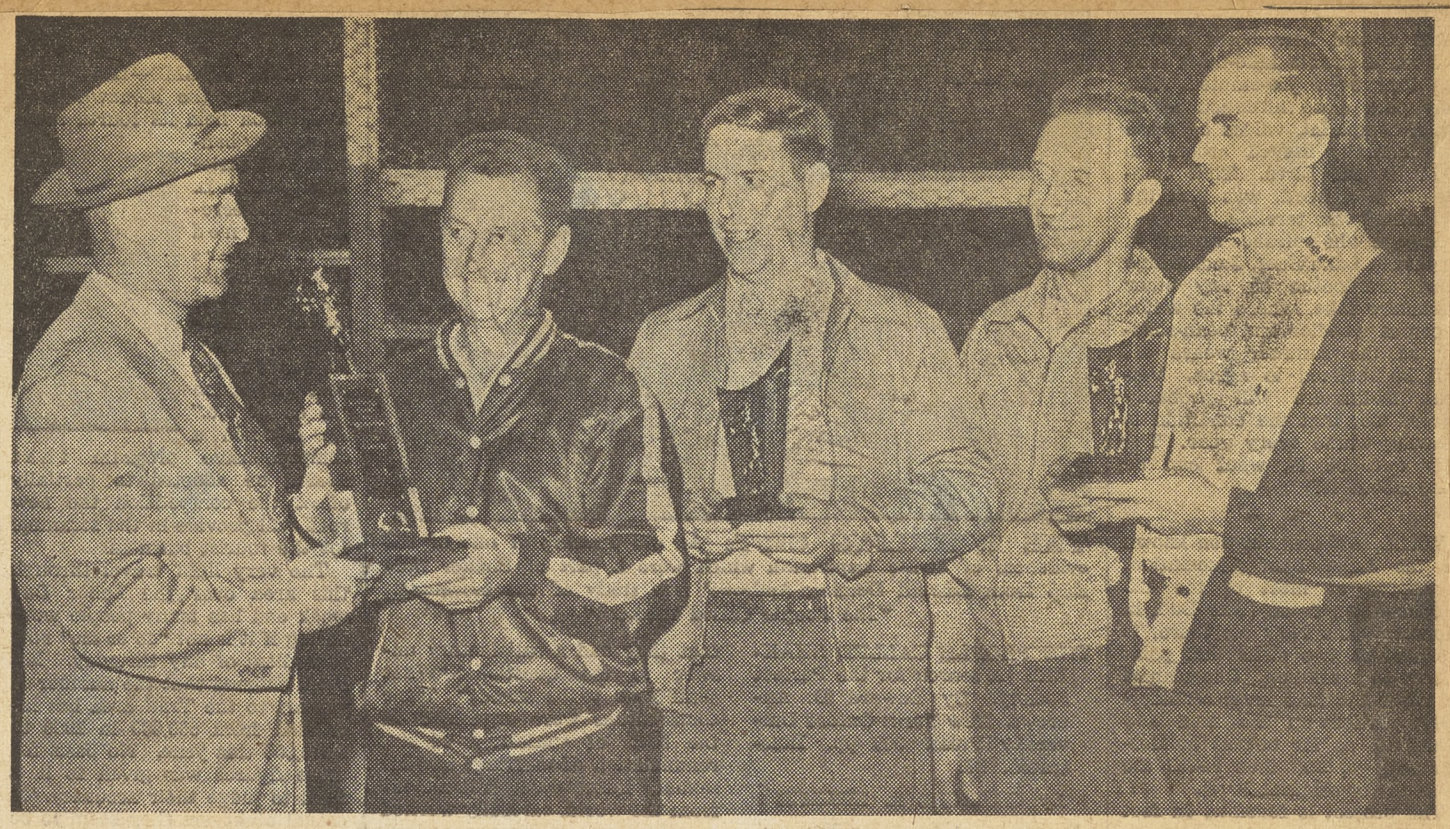
Eagles Tie Postal AC In Park Loop

8-28-53

The Eagles and the Postal AC, tied at the end of the regular season for the lead in the national division of the Park Department Softball League, will meet in a playoff Monday night at 6.30 at Deming Field. The winner will meet the yet uncrowned American division titlist for the city championship. The Eagles and Postal AC finished the season with 13-3 records.

Other final standings in the national circuit find Brady's Market third with a 9-7 record, the Richman Club fourth with a 4-12 mark, and E. D. Jones in last place with a 1-15 record.

Meanwhile, regular competition continued in the American division with Stanley's Grill shutting out the GE Drafters, 9-0, at Deming last night. Stan Koski and Jimmy Farry allowed only three hits. Dick Powers and Art Gwinnell each banged out three hits to lead the winners' offensive attack. Farry homered.



Plouffe

SOFTBALL CHAMPS: Vincent J. Hebert of the Pittsfield Parks and Recreation Department presents trophies to the city's two top softball teams after last night's championship battle between Stanley's Grill and the Eagles, winners of the American and National Leagues, respectively. Stanley's beat the Eagles, 3-2, for the city title. In the usual order are Billy Roberts, manager of Stanley's; George Foley, rival manager; Rudy Zajac, Eagle captain; and Walt Janis, co-manager of the city champs.

Stanley's Grill Tops Eagles, 3-2, For City Title

9/2/53

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Stanley's Grill	14	2	.875
Ricchi's Sunoco	13	3	.813
Eaton Paper	9	6	.600
Honiker's Station	5	10	.333
GE Drafters	3	12	.200
England Brothers	2	13	.133

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Eagles' Club	14	3	.824
Postal AC	13	4	.765
Brady's Market	9	7	.563
Richman Club	4	12	.250
E. D. Jones	1	15	.063

Stanley's Grill came up from behind to defeat the Eagles' Club, National League champs, 3 to 2 in a closely contested battle for the city softball championship.

The Eagles' Club was ahead 2 to 0 going into the last half of the sixth, then Dick Powers led off with a home run for the Grillmen. Powers was followed by the next two men walking, a sacrifice by Jim Farry, Ahlen grounded out scoring Gwinnell, and Knappe scored on a passed ball. McGill grounded out to retire the side.

Jim Farry was the winning pitcher, allowing only two hits. Joe Trapani, the loser, allowed three hits. Both teams played heads-up ball.

Eagles Beat Postal AC To Win Title

9/3/53

The Eagles' team, in a replayed game at Deming Field last night, stopped the Postal AC, 11-3, to earn the national division title in the Park Department Softball League.

The two clubs battled to a 6-6 tie last week, and the contest couldn't be completed because of darkness.

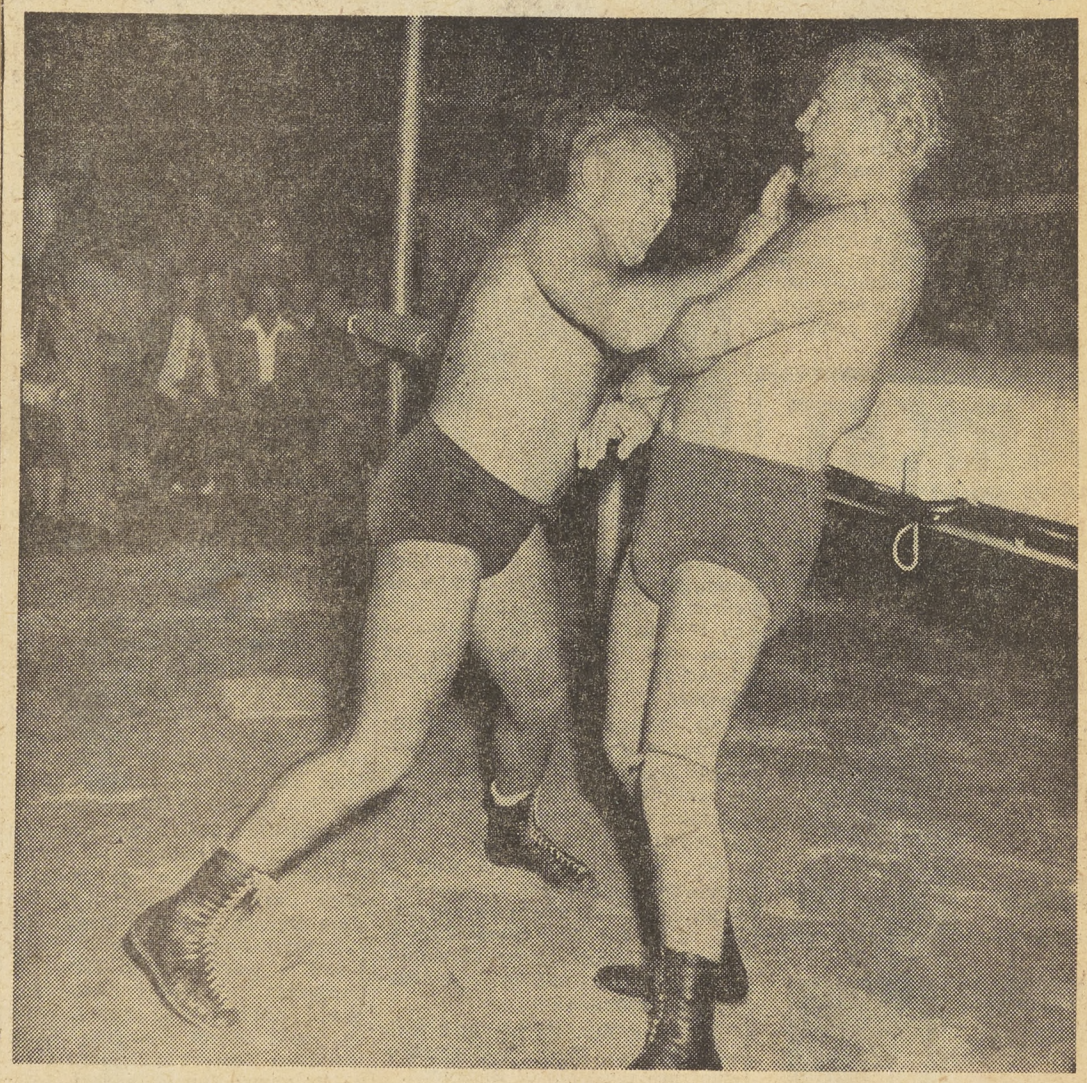
The Eagles are now in a position to meet the winner of the uncompleted American division race for the city championship.

Stanley's Grill is the current leader in the American circuit race. The team meets second-place Ricchi's Sunoco tomorrow night at 6.15 at Deming Field. If Ricchi's wins, a play-off in the division will become necessary. If Stanley's wins, it will oppose the Eagles for the city crown.

Sam DePasquale socked out four safeties last night to pace the Eagles' heavy-hitting attack. Included in his display of batting power was a home run and a double. Ed Cook also homered for the winners.

Bence and Evans Strut Their Best Stuff In Action-Packed Show at Wahconah Park

9/10/53



Mitchell

THIS IS WRESTLING? The camera caught these two contenders at a moment when the audience thought it wasn't watching a wrestling match at all. The action took place last night at Wahconah Park. Pittsfield's Johnny Bence, left, has just popped Don Evans on the button.

By JOHN VANDER VOORT

Big Johnny Bence, the local boy who made a go of professional wrestling, was the star of his own show at Wahconah Park last night.

Promoting a card for the first time because "I wanted to try that end of the business," the former Pittsfield High fullback made certain that 700 fans got their money's worth.

Bence was at his burly best in the semifinal against arch-villain Don Evans, the Marigold Gardens television luminary from Kingston, N.Y.

He demonstrated at 31 he was still in top condition by winning two out of three falls after a half hour of strenuous acrobatics.

Johnny brought his audience to its feet several times with a series of maneuvers as good as any ever seen in this city.

Sweating Bodies

As steam rose from sweating bodies in the cold night air, Bence and Evans, look-alikes with closely-cropped blond hair, battled like bulls in and out of the ring.

For a more effective performance, Evans played the villain. Bence was the hero. Evans, a cry baby, took the opening fall after kicking his opponent into a helpless hulk.

But Johnny exploded after that with a succession of startling moves unlike any seen here heretofore.

Once, out of the ring on the wet grass, he crawled under the floor and attacked Evans from the rear. A little later, both men were outside the ropes slugging toe to toe.

It was a good show and the gallery showed its appreciation with a steady yell that drowned out all other sounds in the neighborhood.

Evans Disqualified

Bence won the second fall with a dazzling drop-kick attack, and Evans was disqualified in the third when he failed to climb back into the ring in the 20-second limit.

Bence, noted here for his aquatic and gridiron prowess, said he intended to present other shows at Wahconah later this year. If last night's performance was indicative, the rest should be worth watching.

The rough-and-tumble semifinal overshadowed the feature, even though it was for the "world's" tag team crown.

The outcome, after the Bence-Evans show, was incidental. Bright-looking Bill Melby and Billy Darnell successfully defended their tite against Englishmen Lords Layton and Blears.

It was a short match, and a good thing, too, because by that time everyone was ready to go home. Scrappy Blears and hulking Layton didn't stand a chance as Melby and Darnell kept the advantage and altered their attack.

Stomach Press

The champions dropped the first fall with Layton sitting on Melby's stomach, but took the next two with high-flying holds that the opposition couldn't handle.

The giant gold trophy displayed in the ring before the match went back to St. Louis with Melby.

The preliminary between Len (Ross) Rositano of St. Louis and Steve Bodinas of Schenectady was the typical grunt and groan affair—arranged only to fill out the card.

Bodinas, the bad guy, won in 21 minutes with a dirty drop kick and press.

Brindles Are Mainstays

Two members of the Brindle family are proving to be real mainstays in the Little Bigger League at Pittsfield. Paul, Jr. (left) is the ever efficient secretary of the loop while his son Paul III is the catcher for the Bessie Clark entry.

Music Announced For Dance Festival

6-4-53

Music for the second annual square dance festival, sponsored by the Berkshire County Square Dance Association and the Park Department June 26 at Wahconah Park, will be by Wilbur Waite's Pokeberry Promenaders.

Among the 14 sets from nine Berkshire communities scheduled for mass demonstration are two calls by Lawrence V. Loy, master of ceremonies, entitled "Four Leaf Clover" and "Country Style."

All tickets will be sold at the gate, opening at 7.45 PM. The festival will start at 8.30.

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Plans Set For Festival Here Tonight

6-26-53

Square Dancing Begins at 8.30 At Wahconah Park

Final arrangements have been made for the second annual Berkshire County square dance festival scheduled at 8.30 tonight at Wahconah Park. In case of rain, the event will be switched to the YMCA and Girls' Club gymnasiums. There will be orchestras at both locations. Tickets will be sold at the gate.

It has been announced that Bob Brundage of Waterbury, Conn., has been added to the list of guest callers for the festival which is being jointly sponsored by the Berkshire County Square Dance Association and the Park Department. Other callers will be Lawrence V. Loy of the University of Massachusetts, Jim Willis of Pittsfield, Prent Barker of Londonderry, Vt., and Reuben Merchant of Nassau, N.Y.

Music by Waite

Music will be furnished by Wilbur Waite and his Pokeberry Promenaders from Connecticut. A total of 15 sets from Pittsfield, Lenox, Richmond, Lanesboro, Cheshire, Becket and South Williamstown will participate in a youth demonstration under the direction of Mrs. Salvatore Minneci and Mrs. H. C. Hughes.

Te Albany (N.Y.) Folk Dancers will also present a demonstration along with members of Mr. Merchant's classes at the Pittsfield Community Music School. Swedish, Polish, Italian, Ukrainian and German costumes will be worn by this group.

A buffet supper will be served at 5.30 at the GEAA picnic grounds. Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Eck are the chairmen. All festival guests are invited to supper, but reservations should be made with the chairmen.

Other committeemen include Donald M. West, set organizer; Mr. Willis, sound and insurance managements; Orville Wilkinson, programs; Mrs. John H. Fairs, Mrs. Eck, Mrs. Minneci, Mrs. Charles Wertz and Henry Bonnett, publicity.

CONCERT IN THE MAKING: George A. White, left, president of Local 109, American Federation of Musicians; Walter F. Michel, center, chairman of the music performance trust fund committee; and Vincent J. Hebert, Parks and Recreation Department superintendent, discuss arrangements for the opening free band concert of the season tomorrow night at 8.30 at Park Square. John A. Noonan will conduct the Eagles' band.

Free Band Concert Series Opens Tomorrow Night, 8.30

6-24-53

John A. Noonan will conduct the Eagle's band in the first free concert of the summer season tomorrow night at 8.30 at Park Square.

The concert opens the seventh year of programs arranged by Local 109 of the American Federation of Musicians. Through a grant from the music performance trust fund of the American recording and television industry, arrangements have been made for local musicians to play for concerts, block dances and Park Department parades during the sumemr.

City To Spend $840

Besides tomorrow's concert, cal 109 musicians will play concert July 10, the Mardi Halloween parades, an July 2, 18 and 21, Aug. 6 Oct. 31.

The Park Department will spend $840 for concerts July 12 and 30, Aug. 12 and 27 and Sept. 7. The department will also share the expense with the Berkshire County Square Dance Association for the annual folk festival.

Members of the local music performance trust fund committee are: Walter Michel, chairman, George A. White, Lawrence J. Murphy, Bernard Croteau, Joseph Sullivan and Francis W. Ransenhousen. Charles M. DeBlois, Local 109 president, is adviser to the committee.

Tomorrow night's program:

March, Crimson Plume	C. E. Duble
Maytime	Sigmund Romberg
Doggie in the Window	Bob Merrell
March, Them Basses	G. H. Huffine
Overture, Princess of India	H. L. King
I Love the Sunshine of Your Smile.	J. MacDonald
March, Colonel Bogey	K. Alford
Blue Danube Waltz	Johann Strauss
March, Stars and Stripes	Sousa

Square Dance Festival Is Tonight at Wahconah Park

6-26-53

Pittsfield, June 25—Bob Brundage of Waterbury, Conn., has been added to the guest callers list for the second annual Square Dance Festival at Wahconah Park Stadium Friday from 8 to 11.30 p. m. It is sponsored by the Berkshire County Square Dance Association and the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Lawrence V. Loy of the University of Massachusetts will be master of ceremonies and principal caller. Other callers who will participate are Prent Barker of Londonderry, Vt.; Rueben Merchant of Nassua, N. Y. and Jim Willis of Pittsfield. Fifteen sets have enrolled in the mass demonstration, including youngsters from Ashley Falls, Monterey, Pittsfield, Lanesboro, Becket, Richmond, Lenox, and South Williamstown.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Eck, hospitality chairmen, in charge of housing the callers and guests also are in charge of the buffet supper which is to be served to members and out-of-town guests before the dance. Orville Wilkinson of Lanesboro is program chairman.

Mrs. Salvatore Minneci is chairman of mass demonstration of a square dance by the youths of the county. She will be assisted by Mrs. H. E. Hughes. Two folk dance groups will be invited to give an exhibition.

Music will be furnished by Wilbur Waite and the Pokeberry Promenaders from Connecticut. Arrangements are under way to provide halls for the affair in case of rain.

Pittsfield, Massachusetts, Saturday, June 27, 1953.

SWING THOSE PARTNERS: Costumed dancers from Pittsfield and Albany swing gaily into patterns during a demonstration at the second annual Berkshire County square dance festival at Wahconah Park last night. More than 350 attended the program which was cut short at 11 PM by heavy rains.

350 Attend Square Dance Festival

Threatening weather kept the attendance down, but, nevertheless, more than 350 turned out for the second annual Berkshire County square dance festival at Wahconah Park last night.

A sudden shower broke up the show a half hour before it was scheduled to end, but until then, according to the sponsoring Park Department and Berkshire County Square Dance Association, the program went off without a hitch.

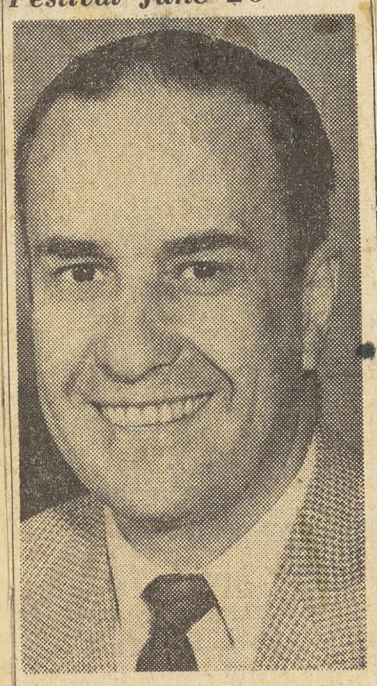
Feature of the evening was a demonstration by the Albany (N.Y.) Folk Dancers and members of Reuben Merchant's classes at the Pittsfield Community Music School. The participants were dressed in costumes from Sweden, Poland, Italy and Germany.

In additon, 17 sets of dancers from Pittsfield, Cheshire, Becket, Lanesboro, Lenox, Willamstown, and Richmond gave a mass demonstration of American folk dancing. The callers were Lawrence V. Loy of the University of Massachusetts, Jim Willis of Pittsfield, Prent Barker of Londonberry, Vt., Bob Brundage of Danbury, Conn., and Mr. Ruben of Nassau, N.Y. Music was furnished by Wlbur Waite and his Pokeberry promenaders.

About 50 persons attended a buffet supper at the GEAA picnic grounds before the dancing started.

Loy To Be Caller At Square Dance Festival June 26

6/19/53



Lawrence V. Loy

Lawrence V. Loy, who organizes the country dance festival at Amherst each year, will be master of ceremonies and principal caller at Berkshire County's second annual square dance festival. Sponsored by the Berkshire County Square Dance Association and the Department of Parks and Recreation, the event will be held at Wahconah Park on Friday, June 26, at 8 PM.

Mr. Loy is nationally known in the field of rural recreation. Extension specialist in young peoples' programs at the University of Massachusetts, he has conducted classes in 21 states and in Newfoundland.

He will call "Four Leaf Clover" and "Country Style" for the mass demonstration groups, composed of 14 sets from nine localities in Berkshire County.

Other callers who will participate in the festival are: Prent Barker from Londonderry, Vt.; Rueben (Rube) Merchant from Nassau, N.Y. and Jim Willis of Pittsfield.

Tickets of admission will be available at Wahconah Park gate.

300 Attend Teen-Age Dance

July 3 '53

Approximately 300 attended the Park Department's first teen-age dance of the season at the Masonic Temple last night. The next dance will be Saturday, July 18.

Square Dancers To Learn New Sets At First Fall Meeting

9/5/53

New folk, contra and square dances will be taught at the first fall meeting of the Berkshire County Square Dance Assn. at 8 tomorrow evening in Springside House.

Richard C. Agar will be in charge of the program to follow a short business meeting. Teachers will be Mrs. Don M. West, R. C. Agar, Maurice Weston, and Joseph McCormick of West Stockbridge.

Any group is welcome to send a representative couple, if they will go back and teach their own group.

Teen-Age Dance Tomorrow Night

July 1

The first free summer teen-age dance will be held tomorrow night at 9 at the Masonic Temple, South Street. Music will be furnished by John Vittone and his orchestra.

The dance is sponsored by the Park Department with funds provided by Local 109, American Federation of Musicians, through a grant from the performance trust fund of the American recording and television industry.

Teen-Age Dance Tomorrow Night

7-1-53

The first free summer teen-age dance will be held tomorrow night at 9 at the Masonic Temple, South Street. Music will be furnished by John Vittone and his orchestra.

The dance is sponsored by the Park Department with funds provided by Local 109, American Federation of Musicians, through a grant from the performance trust fund of the American recording and television industry.

Streets, Stores Thronged As Pittsfield Days Open

7/16/53

Streets and stores were thronged today for the beginning of Pittsfield Days and the big crowd will show up tonight, but some merchants were wondering how many were looking, and how many were buying.

The cash register will tell the true story to the 60 stores co-operating in the three-day event, but it looked like a big day on the streets.

By 9.30 the streets were jammed with traffic and parking places within a block of North Street were impossible to get. Commercial parking lots reported capacity business. First to feel the impact of the advertising campaign sponsored by the retail merchants division of the Chamber of Commerce were the department stores, but dime stores and finally specialty stores began to fill by noon. Free buses disgorged crammed loads until 11.30.

Record Sales Expected

Both Sammy Vincent, chairman of the sale, and James H. Lucas, Chamber of Commerce executive secretary, said they thought it would be a record year. Big drawing cards, apparently, are the three big prizes to be given away, one each night. Top prizes is the 1953 sedan which will be drawn for Saturday night at the block dance at Henry's Parking lot on Fenn Street. The dance is co-sponsored by the Pittsfield Musicians' Union, Local 109, AFL, and the Department of Parks and Recreation.

The dance, beginning at 8, is made possible through a grant of the Music Performance Trust Fund of the American recording and television industry.

The orchestra will be under the leadership of Al Truran.

Eating Places Busy

Restaurants, grocery stores and service stations, as well as non-co-operating stores, were having a good day too. Many eating spots were busy all morning.

Some of the stores that didn't chip into the advertising campaign in connection with the Pittsfield Days, came up with sales of their own. One store went so far as to take last year's signs and paste them in the windows after cutting off the dates, Lucas said.

No traffic accidents were reported, although the usual number of temporarily lost children and permanently lost pocket books hampered some shoppers.

Merchants Happy Over Sales Despite Heat-Wave Inroads

7/18/53

Yesterday afternoon's scorching heat kept Thursday's mobs off the streets and cut down Pittsfield Days sales receipts, but Pittsfield merchants still said income was higher than the second day of the sale last year, and added that they expect today's sale to break last year's record.

The second day of any sale, they said, is never expected to be as good as the first or the last. Business was brisk in the morning, they reported, but the difference could be seen in the afternoon.

People who were going to the Pittsfield Days sale yesterday went anyway, the merchants agreed, but planned their shopping so that it would be all done before the full brunt of the afternoon's heat could be felt on the street.

Everyone from the wilted clerks to the bargain-seeking shoppers complained about the heat, the merchants said.

'Much Higher'

For the first two days of the sale, Pittsfield merchants agreed, sales receipts are "much higher" than last year.

David Kay, treasurer and merchandise manager of the Textile Store, said that the afternoon's heat helped in the sale of seasonable merchandise. Bathing suits and sleeveless cotton dresses went like "hot cakes" he reported.

Shoppers retreated into England Brothers to get away from scorching North Street, Alan Blau, general manager, said. He also reported that sales were far beyond any regular Friday and that it was expected to be booming today.

Holden & Stone reported that sales were "magnificent" yesterday morning, but "the heat did keep them away in the afternoon."

Wins TV Set

A. W. Remmers of 498 South Street, won the 17-inch television set last night. John R. Ross, president of the Golden Age Club drew the winning name from the stage of the Palace Theatre. Mr. Remmers reported today that he did not own a television set.

The grand prize of the three-day sales event, a sedan, will be drawn tonight at a block dance at Henry's Parking Lot on Fenn Street.

Sammy Vincent, chairman of the Pittsfield Days sale, will introduce Miss Lois Kelly of Adams, this year's Stanley Club field day queen who will draw the winning nam

BSO Drummer Joins the Eagles For Short Flight

7/31/53

The Eagles' band, at its Park Square concert last night, got an assist from the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Shortly after the program began, Eagles' bandsman George Fulginiti spotted Simon Sternburg, BSO percussionist, among the crowd of 600 listening.

Mr. Sternburg accepted Mr. Fulginiti's invitation to mount the stand and played the snare drum for four numbers.

He declined, however, an offer to sign a contract with the Eagles for next season.

Public Events

8/6/53

Tonight

8.40—Dostoevski's "Crime and Punishment." Festival Theatre, Lenox.

8.45—Fay Bainter in Sidney Michaels' comedy, "The Three-Toed Pony." Berkshire Playhouse, Stockbridge.

8.45—James Thurber and Elliott Nugent comedy, "The Male Animal." Malden Bridge (N.Y.) Playhouse.

9.00—Free block dance. Wendell Avenue.

9.00—National Ballet Company of Canada. Jacob's Pillow.

Tomorrow

4.00—Matinee performance by National Ballet Company of Canada. Jacob's Pillow.

Pittsfield Briefs

8-13-53

AUG 13 1953

Pittsfield, Aug. 12—An concert by the Eagles Band under auspices of the Park and Recreation Department will be given Thursday from 8.30 to 10.30 at Park Square.

Six bus loads of Golden Agers will leave the YMCA at 10.30 Thursday morning for a day at Pittsfield State Forest. Members are asked to bring their own picnic lunches. Coffee will be available. Busses will return at 3.30. Members will make another bus trip to the Boys' Club Camp on Richmond Pond, Wednesday, Aug. 19.

600 Attend Band Concert

8-14-53

About 600 heard the concert last night by the Eagles' Band in Park Square under sponsorship of the Parks and Recreation Department. A feature of the program conducted by George Fulginiti was "The Centennial March" by Harold Johnson. Mr. Johnson, here for the Tanglewood concerts, has written 30 marches, and last night's composition was one arranged by him especially for the Eagles' Band.

The next block dance is scheduled Thursday night and the next band concert on Aug. 27.

New Drummer Performs

7/31/53

Pittsfield, July 30—The second of the series of free band concerts was held in Bank Row tonight with the Eagles Military Band playing under the Musicians Transcription fund.

The music was well received. If the drumming was a bit unusual tonight there was a reason. The gentleman in the back row who was having so much fun with the drums was on a busman's holiday. The extra drummer was Cy Sternfeld of the Boston Symphony Orchestra who had a night off at Tanglewood and came here to renew acquaintances with Pittsfield bandsmen.

Band Concert

8-12-53

AUG 12 1953

The next in the series of Park Department free summer band concerts will be held tomorrow night from 8.30 to 10.30 at Park Square. Music will be by the Eagles' band of Pittsfield.

'Centennial March' Features Program For Band Concert

8-13-53

AUG 13 1953

"The Centennial March," a composition by Harold Johnson, will be featured for the first time tonight in the free summer band concert at Park Square. Mr. Johnson, here for the Tanglewood concerts, has written nearly 30 marches. He polished up an arrangement for the Eagles' Band to play tonight.

The program will start at 8.30. It is sponsored by the Park Department.

The program:

Poet and Peasant ..... von Suppe
William Tell Overture ..... Rossini
Orpheus ..... Offenbach
Centennial March ..... Johnson
Romany Life ..... Herbert
Over the Waves ..... Rosas
Italian Street Song ..... Herbert
I Love the Sunshine of Your Smile.
Doggie in the Window.
Oh So Long.
Salute to the Sultan.

Band Concert Tomorrow at 2.30

7/25/53

The Eagles' Military Band, under the direction of George Fulginiti, will give a free band concert tomorrow afternoon at Onota Lake at 2.30.

The concert is sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation with funds provided for by Local 109 of the American Federation of Musicians.

The program follows:

March, Solid Front ..... H. C. Miller
Raymond Overture ..... Ambrose Thomas
March, Indiana State Band .. O. R. Farrar
Marche Militaire Francaise, C. Saint-Saens
Siboney ..... Ernesto Lecuona
Grand Selection—La Travista .. G. Verdi
Merry Widow Waltz ..... Franz Lehar
Invercargill ..... Alex F. Lithow
Tannhauser ..... R. Wagner
Donkey Serenade ..... Rudolf Friml
Barnum & Bailey's Favorite March, K. L. King

Band Concert Tonight at Park

7/30/53

The Eagles Band will give a free concert at Park Square tonight at 8.30. John A. Noonan will conduct the concert sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department.

The program follows:

March "The Golden Age" ..... Skaggs
Selection—Victor Herbert Favorites ..... M. L. Lake
Siboney ..... E. Lecuona
Doggie in the Window ..... Bob Merrill
Mazurka-Russe La Czarine ..... L. Ganne
March "Crimson Plume" ..... G. E. Duble
The Donkey Serenade ..... Rudolph Frime
The Chocolate Soldier ..... Oscar Straus
Sunshine of Your Smile .... J. MacDonald
Till I Waltz Again With You .... S. Prosen
March "Old Comrades" ..... C. Teike

Band Concert, Dance Tomorrow Night

8-26-53

The Park Department will sponsor a free band concert and teenage dance tomorrow night. The concert will take place at Park Square from 8.30 to 10. Music will be by the Eagles Band. The dance will be held at the Masonic Temple, South Street, from 8.30 until 11. Larry Murphy's orchestra will play.

Local 109, American Federation of Musicians, will provide funds for both events through a grant of the music performance trust fund of the American recording and television industry.

Band Concert Program Listed

8-27-53

The Eagles' band, conducted by George Fulginiti, will give another in a series of free concerts tonight at 8.30 at Park Square. The Park Department will sponsor the concert and a dance, also tonight, at the Masonic Temple. Larry Murphy's orchestra will play at the dance.

The concert program:

Second Connecticut National Guard March ..... Hall
Ballet Egyptian ..... A. Luigina
American Patrol ..... F. W. Meacham
Salute to the Sultan ..... C. Lawrence
Blue Danube ..... Strauss
Lustpiel ..... Keler-Bela
Doggie in the Window ..... Morrell
Miltair Francaise ..... Saint-Saens
La Reine de-Saba ..... Gounod
March Centennial ..... H. Johnson

Public Events

8-27-53

Tonight

8.30—Band concert, by Eagles Band, sponsored by Park Department. Park Square.

8.30—Free teen-age dance, sponsored by Park Department. Masonic Temple.

8.40—"The House of Bernarda Alba." Festival Theatre. Lenox.

8.45—"Bunty Pulls the Strings." Berkshire Playhouse, Stockbridge.

8.45—"Detective Story." Malden Bridge (N.Y.) Playhouse.

Tomorrow

4.00 PM—Jacob's Pillow dance festival. East Lee.

Free Concert, Dance Tonight

8-27-53

Pittsfield, Aug. 26—A free band concert and teenage dance will be presented Thursday night by the Park Department. The concert, by the Eagles Band, will take place at Park Square from 8.30 until 10 and the dance will be at the Masonic Temple from 8.30 to 11. Larry Murphy's orchestra will play.

Local 109, American Federation of Musicians, will provide funds for both events.

Square Dancers Will Sponsor 'Calico Ball'

10-9-53

A "calico ball" will be sponsored by the Berkshire County Square Dance Assn. next month.

The decision to hold the public square and folk dance was made at the association's first fall meeting, attended by 45, Wednesday night at Springside House.

Orville Wilkinson was named acting president to fill the unexpired term of John H. Fairs, who has resigned. He recently was transferred to Decatur, Ill. Richard C. Agar will be program chairman, succeeding Mr. Wilkinson.

A review of the summer festival was given by Mrs. Charles E. Wertz, secretary, and reports were read by committee chairmen.

John DelNegro of Drury High School joined the organization and told about dancing he has interduced in the North Adams school.

Mr. Agar was in charge of a program of square, folk and contra dancing which followed the business meeting. Teachers were Mr. Agar, Mr. and Mrs. Donald M. West, Maurice Weston, Joseph McCormick and Harold H. Danforth.

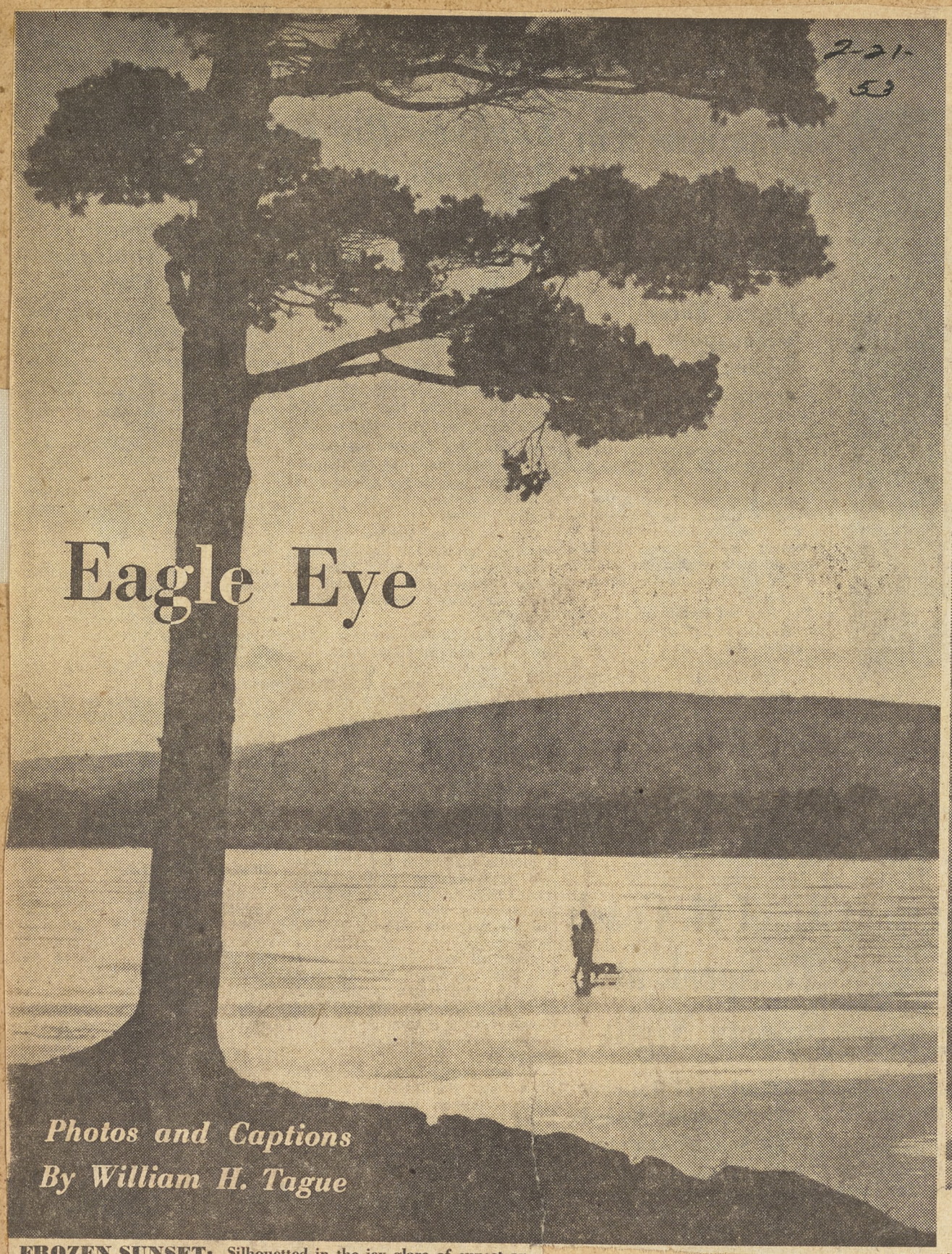
Representatives from South Williamstown, Lanesboro, Lenox, Pittsfield and North Adams, attended, and the group decided to hold meetings in South Williamstown, Richmond and Pittsfield soon.

Bonnet To Direct Girls' Club Dance

10-24-53

Henry A. Bonnet of the Park Department will direct square dancing and a few social dancing mixers at the high school dance from 8 to 11 this evening in the Pittsfield Girls' Club gymnasium.

All high school students are invited. A small admission fee will be charged.



FROZEN SUNSET: Silhouetted in the icy glare of sunset on Onota Lake are Bruce Barrows of 51 Ontario Street and son Bobby, 10, returning home after an unsuccessful afternoon of ice fishing.

WAY BACK WHEN: Looking through some old prints, we found this casual scene taken last August at the Pontoosuc Lake public bathing area. Warm weather lovers will have to wait awhile yet.

City Lake Areas Open Saturday; Beaches June 19

The Park Commission announced last night Pontoosuc and Onota Lake areas will open for the season Saturday. Waterfront areas will remain closed, but tables and fireplaces in the picnic grove are ready for use.

Public beaches will open June 19, and playgrounds June 22.

The commission also announced the appointment of 15 park policeman for the season. They are Carroll Hickey, Edward Hickey, Francis Sheridan, Allan Jacobs, William McKenna, Robert Knight, Victor DeFazio, Raymond Warner, Norton Harte, Chris Ginthwain, Stephen Helstowski, Robert Stafford, Pierce Hayes, Lawrence Jacobs and Ralph Cann.

Picnickers Told How To Reserve Tables at Beaches

6-12-53

Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert announced today that picnic tables and outdoor fireplaces at Onota and Pontoosuc Lakes may be reserved for this week end by calling the concession offices at the two locations.

Reservations will not be accepted at the department office until after next Friday, the date when the public beaches at the two lakes open for the season.

After that time, arrangements can be made as follows: Reservations made 24 hours in advance will be accepted at the department office any day in the week; reservations less than 24 hours ahead of time should be made through the concessions.

There are 40 tables and 14 fireplaces at Pontoosuc, and 20 tables and 7 fireplaces at Onota. Rental charges are 10 cents for one hour, 25 cents for two hours, 50 cents for three hours and $1 for four hours or more.

Tables may not be reserved for more than three hours on week ends.

Vandals Warned: Park Picnic Tables Tossed in Lake

6-29

The Park Department is having picnic table trouble.

It seems that three of the big wooden tables at the Onota Lake picnic grove were tossed in the drink last night. Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert said they were discovered by a maintenance crew early this morning.

"We will not tolerate this vandalism," Mr. Hebert said emphatically. "Anyone who is caught will be severely prosecuted."

Last season the department experienced similar difficulty when several fireplace grills were damaged and thrown into the water at Onota and Pontoosuc Lakes.

Swimming Warning

Vincent J. Hebert, superintend of parks and recreation, reminded parents today that no life-guards are on duty at the city beaches and will not be until the playground season opens Friday. He said that many children have been swimming at Pontoosuc and Onota the past few days although no supervision is being provided at either place.

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Aquatic Staff Training Sessions Open Today

6/17/53

Talks on water safety, emergency procedures and instruction methods will highlight an aquatic staff training institute being conducted at the Park Department office, 52 School Street, today and tomorrow.

Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert welcomed the group at the opening session this afternoon. Other meetings will be held tomorrow afternoon at the office and tomorrow night at the Red Cross chapter house, Wendell Avenue.

At the meetings, Mr. Hebert will discuss Park Department policies and procedures, legal responsibilities and personnel obligations. Police Chief Thomas H. Calnan will talk on beach control, emergency procedures and the relationship between beach personnel and police.

Jules L. Kline, Community Chest public relations director, will deal with that subject, and Louis J. Verchot, newly-appointed beachmaster at Pontoosuc Lake, will demonstrate use of an inhalator. Warren U. Sears of the Red Cross will discuss general first aid and demonstrate the method of artificial respiration. Two films, "Learning How To Swim" and "Heads Up," will be shown to the group.

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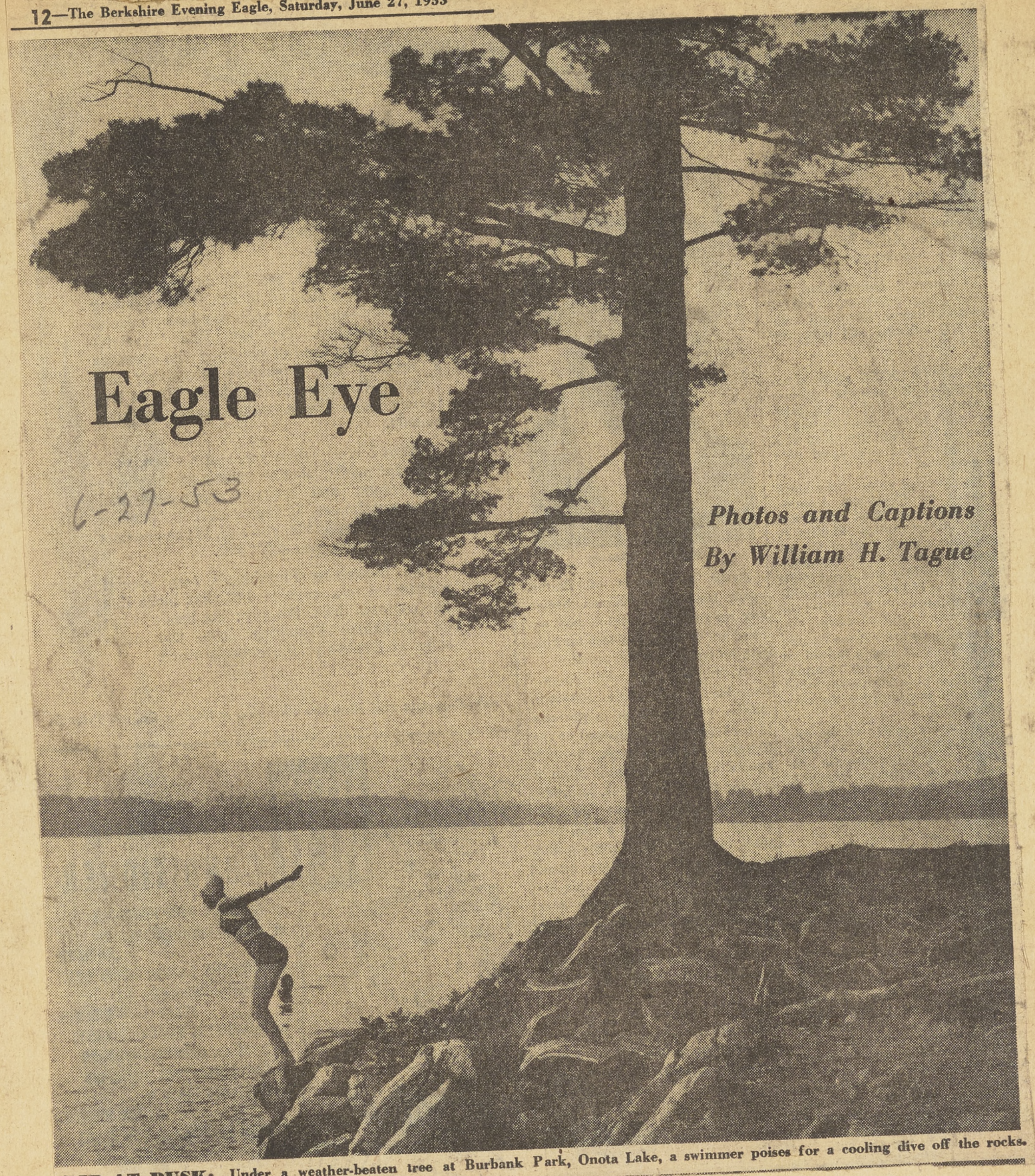
Eagle Eye

6-27-53

Photos and Captions By William H. Tague



DIP AT DUSK: Under a weather-beaten tree at Burbank Park, Onota Lake, a swimmer poises for a cooling dive off the rocks.

City Beachmasters Appointed

6/27/53

Louis J. Verchot

Miss Theresa Malumphy

Louis J. Verchot, 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis F. Verchot of 60 Norman Avenue, and Miss Theresa Malumphy, 21-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Malumphy of Richmond, have been assigned by the Park Department as beachmasters at the city's two lakes this summer.

Verchot, a sophomore at Providence College, will serve at the Pontoosuc Lake public bathing beach, and Miss Malumphy, a junior at Bridgewater Teachers College, will work at the Onota Lake beach.

Both beaches will open Friday. Swimming hours will be from 11 AM to 8 PM daily.

Third Season for Verchot

This will be the third season Verchot has worked for the department. In 1951 he was a lifeguard, and last summer he was the the assistant beachmaster at Pontoosuc. He holds Red Cross water safety and instructor's certificates. At college, he's a member of the Aquatic Friars, the ski club, the Western Massachusetts Club, the Carolin Club. He is a graduate of St. Joseph's High.

Miss Malumphy was the assistant beachmaster at Onota Lake last season. She holds Red Cross water safety and instructor's ratings. She is a physical education major at college, is president of the Women's Recreation Association, a member of the dormitory council and representative of the Student Activity Association. She graduated from Pittsfield High in 1950.

Thomas Dellert, Jean Marie Trudell, Gordon Shepardson and Janet Cheyne have been assigned as lifeguards at Onota Lake.

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PARENTS BLANK

I will co-operate with the sponsoring organizations and hereby give permission to

Name .....

Address .....

to enroll in the class to be held at (name of beach or pool) .....

Parent or Guardian's Signature

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Free Swimming Instruction Offered Children and Adults

Free swimming instruction will be given again this year under the sponsorship of the Park Department, the Berkshire County Red Cross, and The Eagle. Anyone of any age may join the classes. Classes will begin Monday, June 29, and run until Aug. 28. Registration will be taken at the Park Department and swimming areas throughout Saturday of next week.

Beginners' classes for children under 10 years of age will be held mornings at Crane and Springside pools.

Classes will be held at Pontoosuc Beach from June 29 until July 29. Intermediates, swimmers, and advanced swimmers' classes will be held on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 12.30-4.30. Water ballet classes will be held Mondays and Fridays from 4.30-5.30. Racing classes will be Wednesdays from 4.30-5.30.

Classes will be held at Onota Beach from July 30-Aug. 28. The schedule at Onota will be the same as at Pontoosuc.

Beginners' classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 12.15-12.30 at Pontoosuc, June 29-July 29; and at Onota, July 30-Aug. 28.

Adult classes will be held evenings from 6.30-7.30 at Pontoosuc beach. A senior life saving course will be conducted if there are enough applicants.

Permission of parents is required for children up to 15 years who wish to enter the classes. The following blank should be cut out by parents and returned to the Parks and Recreation Department, 52 School Street, where it will be exchanged for a registration card:

More Than 400 Register for Swim Classes

More than 400 have signed up for the Park Department's first series of summer swimming classes at Pontoosuc Lake and at the Crane and Springside pools.

Pontoosuc, with 283 registered for novice, intermediate, advanced, racing, water ballet, adult and life saving classes, has the largest number. Crane has 108, and Springside, 55.

Kelton M. Burbank, registered Red Cross instructor, is assisting with racing classes and has announced that anyone interested is welcome to join.

A water ballet team is being organized to be featured in several aquatic programs at Pontoosuc Lake this summer.

Shapiro

Miss Lucilla W. Fuller

Two Pittsfield girls, Miss Lucilla Wellington Fuller and Miss Margo Miller, graduated cum laude and received a total of three school prizes at commencement this morning at Miss Halls School.

In addition, Miss Miller was awarded the Atlantic Monthly prize for the best short story submitted in the magazine's 32d annual creative writing contest for high school students throughout the nation. She won a check for $100, a certificate and a book.

Miss Fuller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wolcott Fuller of 27 Brunswick Street, received the school chemistry prize and was placed on the high honor roll for the year.

Miss Miller, who was placed on the headmistress' list for the year, was the recipient of the English prize and the academic music prize. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Henry Bonnett To Supervise Bathing Areas

Pasquale Bruni, Marilyn Thompson Also Get Assignments

Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert announced this morning that Henry Bonnett will serve as aquatic supervisor at the city's bathing areas this summer.

Temporarily replacing Mr. Bonnett as general recreation supervisor will be Pasquale A. Bruni of 26 Springside Avenue. Mr. Bruni, who is studying for his master's degree at the University of Massachusetts, will handle the department's softball and baseball leagues. He will return to the university in September when Mr. Bonnett resumes his regular duties.

It was also announced that Miss Marilyn J. Thompson of 85 Edward Avenue, has been promoted to women's recreation supervisor, replacing Mrs. Ann M. Jordan, who has resigned. Mrs. Jordan will work part [illegible] after July 20.

Miss [illegible]on, a senior at the Bouve-[illegible] School, had been serving [illegible]irector of Lakewood Playgroun[illegible] She has worked for the department three summers.

At the same time, Miss Patricia Drennan, the leader at Lakewood, has moved up to director of that playground, and Mrs. Mary Legge has been appointed the new leader.

Registration Opens for Swim Classes

Registration for free swimming classes at Pontoosuc will be taken at the Parks and Recreation Department office today through Thursday from noon to 5.30 PM and at Pontoosuc Lake Friday afternoon and all day Saturday.

There will be an aquatic testing program for Pontoosuc classes on June 29 and 30, from 12.30 PM to 5 PM. Registrants will be told at what time to report for the testing program at the time of their registering.

Registration for free swimming classes at Crane and Springside pools will be taken at the Department office today through Thursday, 12 through 5.30 PM and also at the pools Tuesday through Saturday. Only beginners' classes for children 10 and under will be taught at the pools. Miss Nancy Keegan will teach the classes daily at Springside and Miss Lorraine Stewart will teach the classes daily at Crane.

Louis Verchot, beachmaster at Pontoosuc, will teach junior life saving at Pontoosuc daily. Miss Tess Malumphy, beachmaster at Onota, will teach junior life saving from July 30 through Aug. 28.

Public Urged To Lock Cars At Bathing Areas

Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert today cautioned people swimming at Pontoosuc and Onota Lakes to lock their parked cars and remove the ignition keys.

He said that park police at the two public bathing areas have noticed a number of cars left unlocked with the keys in the ignition. He warned of the dangers involved in this practice and said that his department is not responsible for vehicles parked at the areas.

Free Classes In Swimming Start Monday

The Park Department announced today that its first series of free swimming classes will begin at Pontoosuc Lake, Springside pool and Crane pool Monday.

The classes will be conducted Monday through Friday, and instruction will be given to beginners, intermediates and advanced junior and senior Red Cross candidates.

Classes at Pontoosuc will run from noon until 5.30. Each session will be 45 minutes long. There will be two classes a day at Springside and Crane—the first from 11 to 12; the second from 1 to 2.

Special adult and senior life saving courses will be held at Pontoosuc at 6.30. The second series of classes will begin Aug. 3 at the two pools, and July 30 at Onota Lake.

Wading Pools Open

Superintendent of Parks and Recreation Vincent J. Hebert has announced that the two wading pools at Springside and Crane are open for the summer.

Lifeguards will be on duty from 10 AM to 12; 1 to 5 PM and from 6 to 8 PM daily on a seven-day week.

Mr. Hebert also announced that the tot-lot at Wilson Park will open Monday. Miss Nancy Shaw, director at Wilson Park, has been delayed by course work at the Boston School of Occupational Therapy, where she is completing her fourth year.

Big Field To Swim in City Meet

A record field of local youngsters is expected to compete in the eighth annual City of Pittsfield swimming meet Saturday afternoon at Pontoosuc Lake.

The meet, jointly sponsored by the Park Department and The Eagle, is open to midgets, intermediates, juniors and seniors ranging in age from 11 to over 18. There is no entry fee and the only requirement is that participants be local residents and of designated age.

Gold medals will be awarded to first-place winners and the runner-up in each event will receive a silver medal. Ribbons will be presented to those finishing in third place.

In all, there are 20 races in the four classes—11 for boys and 9 for the girls. The first event, the 20-yard midget free-style race, will start at 2 PM.

Entry blanks may be obtained at the Park Department office, 52 School Street. They should be mailed to Aquatic Supervisor Henry A. Bonnett or left with the beachmasters at the two public bathing areas. Entries close Friday morning at 9.

Picnic Rental Kits

Park Department picnic rental kits should be picked up at the department's office, 52 School Street, before 5 PM Friday for use over the holiday week end.

City of Pittsfield Swim Meet Listed for Saturday

Pontoosuc Lake to Be Scene of Title Competition That Will Include 20 Events

Pittsfield, July 4—The swimming season will hit its stride here next Saturday afternoon when the eighth annual City of Pittsfield meet will be staged at Pontoosuc Lake beach under the auspices of the Department of Parks and Recreation. All told, there will be 20 events spread out for boys and girls, ranging from midgets up through the intermediates, juniors and seniors. This will be the opening meet of the season. Next will follow the big Berkshire AAU title competition which is slated for Sunday afternoon July 26. That one will be sponsored for the third consecutive year by The Springfield Morning Union in conjunction with the Parks Department.

Entries Close Friday

A year ago the City meet offered some great sprints to the hundreds of spectators. There were fine races by Kim Burbank, Bobby Shantz, Rod White, Johnny Woodcock and Cy Henry. The fairer sex also had their moments of glory, what with Ann McGuire and Maureen Connors putting on excellent shows. These and others will be all back in the lanes next Saturday to make for one of the finest City meets in history.

Entries will close on next Friday. Entrants should mail their blanks to Henry A. Bonnet, supervisor of recreation, at Park Department, 52 School St., Pittsfield. Only residents of Pittsfield are eligible to compete in this meet. Medals for first and second place winners in all events will be presented immediately following the races. swimmers competing will be required to report to the clerk of course at 1 p. m. on the afternoon of the meet.

In the midget class, there will be the 20-yard freestyle and 20-yard backstroke for both boys and girls 11 years and under. The intermediate division for those between 12 and 14 years of age, will have the 50-yard freestyle and 25-yard backstroke for girls and boys.

Junior Division

The largest number of events are carded for the junior division. That is those youngsters between the ages of 15 and 17 years. Here there will be the 50-yard free style, 100-yard free style, and 50-yard backstroke for both boys and girls. In addition, there will be a 50-yard breaststroke event for the junior boys.

Senior races for those 18 years of age and older will include the 100-yard free style for young men and women as well as the 50-yard backstroke for both. The senior men will also compete in a 50-yard breaststroke. In this bracket there should be some fine competition waged by such crowd-pleasers as Cy Henry, Kim Burbank and Bobby Shantz.

Where the total number of entries make it necessary, there will be preliminary heats run off before the final event. Actual competition is scheduled to get underway at 2 o'clock.

It is pointed out by the Department of Parks and Recreation officials that competitors may enter only those events designated for their particular age group.

E. H. T.

Three Races Are Added to Swim Program

City-Wide Meet Slated Saturday At Pontoosuc Lake

Three breast-stroke events have been added to the program for the eighth annual Park Department-Berkshire Eagle city swimming meet at Pontoosuc Lake Saturday afternoon.

There will be 25-yard breast-stroke races in the boys' and girls' intermediate divisions and a 50-yard breast-stroke race in the girls' junior division. The addition of these events brings the total up to 23 different races in four age groups.

The meet, postponed last week end because of a lack of entries, will begin at 2 PM. Entries close Friday afternoon at 5.

Aquatic Supervisor Henry A. Bonnet announced that the meet is open only to residents of Pittsfield and will include events for midgets, intermediates, juniors and seniors from under 11 to over 18 years of age. He said that a few of the races may have to be conceled because there still are not enough entries.

Entry blanks may be obtained at the Park Department office, 52 School Street, or at either of the public bathing areas at Pontoosuc and Onota Lakes.

Entries Close Tonight at 9 For Swim Meet

Annual Event Slated Tomorrow At Pontoosuc

Entries for the eighth annual Park-Department-Berkshire Eagle city swimming meet tomorrow afternoon at Pontoosuc Lake close at 9 tonight. Blanks may be obtained at the Park Department office, 52 School Street, or at the Onota and Pontoosuc public bathing areas.

The meet, open only to local residents, will include 20 races for boys and girls in midget, intermediate, junior and senior age groups.

First and second-place winners in all events will receive medals and ribbons will be awarded to swimmers who come in third. Amateur Athletic Union regulations will govern all races. In case of ties, a run-off will be held.

Louis O. Conway is the referee and starter, William Yeats is head judge, Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert will be chief timer, Patricia Fitzpatrick is clerk of course, and Daniel J. Healy is the announcer.

Other judges will be: Marion Felton, Elizabeth Minneci, Sommers Brown, Lester Shepardson, Frederick Peck, Lynn Thompson, Alex Garnish, Jack Maguire and Edward Herberg.

The first event, the midget boys' 20-yard free-style, will begin at 2 PM.

Police Open Drive on Hot Rod Speed Boat Operators

By JOHN C. HITCHCOCK

A campaign to crack down on "hot rod" speed boat operators was begun today by Chief Thomas H. Calnan after a series of complaints by enraged swimmers and other indignant boaters.

Normally placid, picturesque lakes, both Pontoosuc and Onota erupt into churning, oil-smeared chaldrons of confusion, smoke and ear-splitting noise on otherwise pleasant days when the "cowboys" come out in their "assault" boats.

Grown men with 25-horsepower motorboats cut crazy circles around hapless canoeists, young boys recklessly pilot their over-loaded crafts dangerously close to restricted swimming areas and even water skiers get into the act as they skim crazily close to the shore.

Right now there are almost no regulations concerning operation of motor boats. A four-year-old child, a blind man or madman can go out for a spin.

Vast Majority Careful

Fortunately the vast majority of motor boat operators are sane, careful men using small or medium sized motors.

But seldom a week goes by that doesn't see one or two youthful or wild operators in action, disturbing fish, fishermen, bathers and other boaters.

The chief has asked the mayor and City Council to draft regulations controlling the boaters.

The state laws (Chapter 102, Section 15 B) state that communities may provide for the regulation and enforcement of boating regulations to see that the safety of the public is not endangered or that the boating practices are not detrimental or injurious to the neighborhood or to the value of surrounding property.

Chief's Proposals

Chief Calnan's letter to the mayor and City Council recommends city regulations based on existing state laws that call for fines for operating to endanger, using motors without proper lights after dark.

In addition, the chief, who has had officers cruising Pontoosuc Lake for the last two Sundays to curb reckless boaters, would like to see all motor boats registered and clearly numbered and a minimum age limit for operators.

"You can be sure we'll prosecute anyone caught buzzing a swimmer or menacing anyone with a motor boat," Chief Calnan promised.

Bathers have complained of so much oil on the water that it's impossible to swim following a day of heavy boating and some have compared the haze of penetrating exhaust smoke in the air to the smog of a city traffic jam.

Tough on Tiny Tots

Park Department Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert has a special gripe against the boaters that speed by the city's swimming areas. Tiny tots in the fenced-off wading area at Pontoosuc frequently are knocked off their feet by the wake from the motor boats, Hebert said.

At Onota Lake, operators unacquainted with the water depths are liable to crash into sunken logs in the shallow areas, Hebert said.

Cutting close to smaller boats is a favorite practice, but many oarsmen prefer a little more leeway and others have trouble handling their boats in the power-boat's wake. Fishermen don't think it's funny at all.

The situation is likely to grow worse rather than better unless something is done.

Local agencies handling the powerful outboard motors report the demand far exceeds the supply with $400 motors being snapped up as soon as they're delivered.

One of the motors mounted on a well-constructed 14-foot boat can push it up to 30 mph.

That can spell trouble.

Westfield Crash

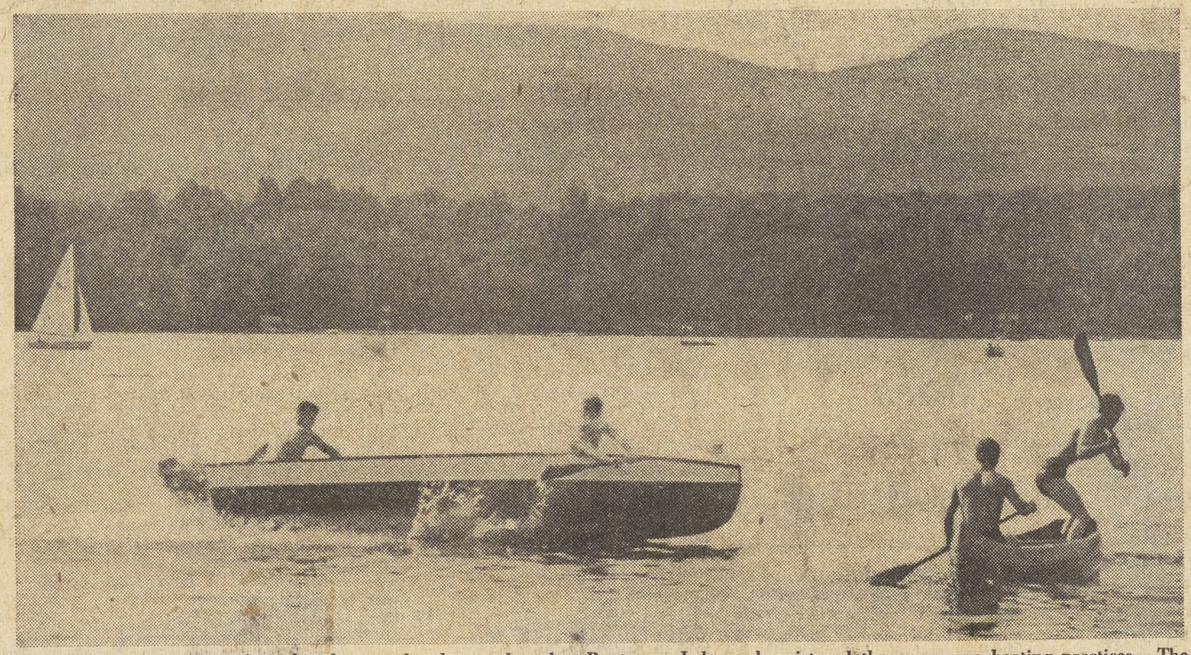
Two motor boats collided July 4 at Hampton Ponds in Westfield, sending one man to the hospital and only quick action by other boaters averted a possible tragedy as five persons were fished out of the water.

The waters of Pontoosuc have already claimed one life this year when a power boat unexplainedly struck an underwater obstruction and flipped.

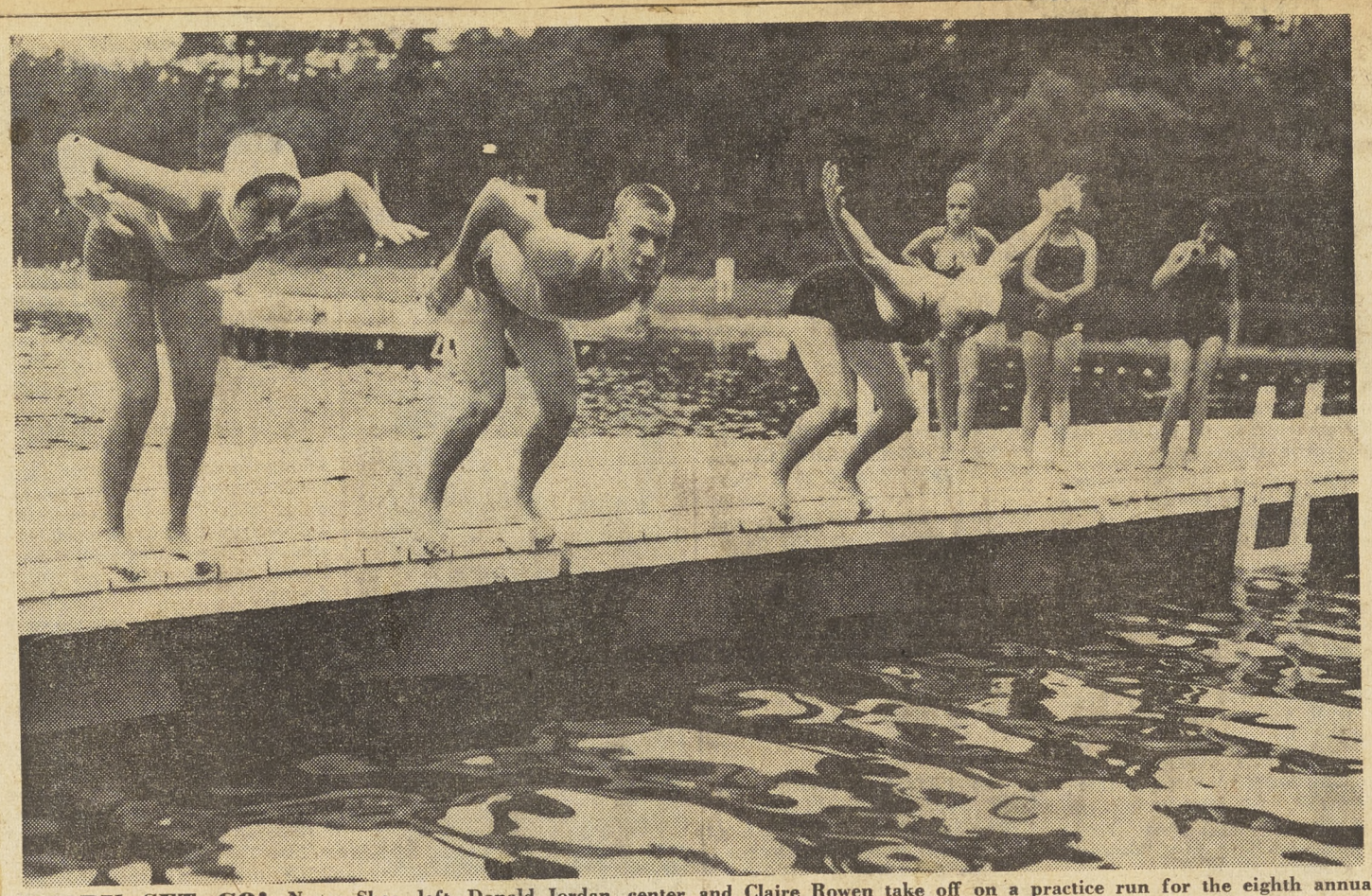
Accidents will always happen, but some form of control over motor boats would go a long way towards preventing them.

Tague

All eyes are on the swimmer, but what if a companion were to suddenly surface after an underwater plunge? Although swimming in unguarded areas is discouraged there is always the danger of unexpected swimmers in the water.



Splendid co-operation was given the photographer last week end at Pontoosuc Lake as he pictured these common boating practices. The three photographs were taken from the shore at 1/500 of a second lens speed. The above photo could be sport, or self-defense, but it would never be allowed in cars on the highway.



READY, SET, GO! Nancy Shea, left, Donald Jordan, center, and Claire Rowen take off on a practice run for the eighth annual Park Department-Berkshire Eagle city swimming meet. The meet, open to Pittsfield midgets, intermediates, juniors and seniors, will be held at 2 tomorrow afternoon at the public beach at Pontoosuc Lake.

7/17/53

Big Field To Race in NEAAU Meet

7/24/53

Events Scheduled Saturday at Pontoosuc Lake

A large field was reported entered today in the NEAAU championship swimming meet Saturday afternoon at Pontoosuc Lake public beach.

The meet, sponsored by the Park Department and the Springfield Union, will include championship and non-title races for boys and girls. Each competitor is limited to two events.

To enter championship races, swimmers must be registered with the New England Amateur Athletic Union in Boston. This can be done through Herbert D. Holm, 294 Washington Street, Boston. Local entries will be accepted by Aquatic Supervisor Henry A. Bonnet at the Park Department office, 52 School Street, until tomorrow night.

Medals will be presented to first, second and third-place winners in the NEAUU championships. The Springfield newspaper will present awards to winners of other races.

Don Jordan, Nancy Shea Star in City Swim Meet

7/18/53

Don Jordan, Nancy Shea Star in City Swim Meet

7.20.1953

Pittsfield Juniors Each Triumph In Two Events at Pontoosuc Lake— NEAAU Meet Scheduled Next Sunday

Versatile Don Jordan and Nancy Shea stood today as Pittsfield's top junior aquatic stars after their splashing two-event triumphs in the eighth annual Park Department-Berkshire Eagle city meet in the tepid waters of Pontoosuc Lake Saturday afternoon.

Jordan, a 15-year-old speedster, won the 50 and 100-yard free-style events in the boys' junior division, while Nancy outdistanced the field in the girls' junior 50-yard free-style and 50-yard back-stroke races.

Jordan's victories were particularly thrilling for, in each case, he was given stiff opposition by young Arthur Giguere, who placed second in both events. In the 100, for instance, Jordan sped off to a comfortable lead in the first length, but Giguere came on rapidly and nearly caught his opponent. But Jordan proved he had the extra kick to win when he spurted across the finish line after a remarkable final-lap sprint.

Triumphs Easily

Nancy Shea, on the other hand, breezed easily to her twin triumphs, and nearly won the 50-yard junior girls' breast-stroke event also. She was nosed out close to the finish by capable Ann Maguire, a star performer in this meet in other years.

Giguere was always the best man but never the bridegroom Saturday afternoon, for, in addition to his two seconds behind Jordan, he also was the runner-up after John Burbank in the boys' junior 50-yard breast-stroke race.

Jordan's time in the 100-yard free-style was 1:06.8, and in the 50-yard free-style, he completed his distance in 28.7 seconds.

Miss Shea's time in the 50-yard free-style was 34.2 seconds and in the 50-yard back-stroke she was clocked at 36.8 seconds.

Intermediate Winners

In the boys' intermediate class events, Bobby Tatro won the 50-yard freestyle in 29.5 seconds, followed by Tommy Mulcahey and Jimmy Quirk, while Quirk captured the 25-yard back-stroke in 15.9 seconds, followed by Zavilianos and Joseph Hollister. Harry Quay won the 25-yard breast-stroke in 16.8.

In the girls' intermediate division, Nancy Sheridan won the 50-yard free-style in 38.8 seconds, ahead of Laurel Boynton and Gerry Somerville. And in the 25-yard back-stroke, Gerry Somerville finished in 21.2, seconds ahead of Paula Spasyk and Laurel Boynton.

Midget girls' winners were: Nancy Yeats, 20-yard free-style in 15.8; and Michaela Maguire, 20-yard back-stroke in 14.5. Midget boys' winners were: Anthony Belanger, 20-yard free-style in 11.8; and Dennis Knowlton, 20-yard back-stroke in 15 flat.

Forty-five swimmers competed in the 18-event meet. Originally, there were five races scheduled for seniors, but they were dropped from the program because of lack of entries.

Approximately 300 spectators lined the shore of the lake to watch the races. Louis O. Conway was referee and starter, Warren U. Sears was head timer, and Willard Yeats was head judge. Other officials were: Patricia Fitzpatrick, clerk of course, Dan Healy, announcer. Kathy Wowk, Elizabeth Minneci, Lynn Thompson, Charles Bunnell, Edward Herbert, Bruce Milne, Jack Maguire and Frederick Peck served as judges and timers.

NEAAU Meet Sunday

Many of these speedy young stars now will be pointing to the important Park Department-Springfield Union-sponsored Berkshire Hills New England AAU meet next Sunday at the public beach at Pontoosuc Lake.

In all, there will be five New England championship events, in addition to numerous races sanctioned by the Springfield newspaper.

Pittsfield and Berkshire County swimmers must register through Park Department Aquatic Supervisor Henry A. Bonnet at 52 School Street. Contestants planning to compete in the NEAAU championship events must register with Herbert D. Holm, 294 Washington Street, Boston, an official of the amateur athletic organization.

The summary:

GIRLS' DIVISION

20-yard midget free-style—Won by Nancy Yeats; Margaret Madden, 2d; Mary Clayson, 3d. Time, 15.8.

20-yard midget back-stroke—Won by Michaela Maguire; Nancy Yeats 2d; Mary Clayson, 3d. Time, 14.5.

50-yard intermediate free-style—Won by Nancy Sheridan; Laurel Boynton, 2d; Gerry Somerville, 3d. Time, 38.8.

50-yard intermediate back-stroke—Won by Gerry Somerville; Paula Spasyk, 2d; Laurel Boynton, 3d. Time, 21.2.

50-yard junior free-style—Won by Nancy Shea; Judy Gregory, 2d; R. Davida Brady, 3d. Time, 34.2.

25-yard intermediate breast-stroke—Won by Paula Spasyk; Nancy Sheridan, 2d; Gerry Somerville, 3d. Time, 20.6.

50-yard junior back-stroke—Won by Nancy Shea; R. Davida Brady 2d. Time, 36.8.

50-yard junior breast-stroke—Won by Anne Maguire; Nancy Shea, 2d; Judy Gregory, 3d. Time, 47.1.

BOYS' DIVISION

20-yard midget free-style—Won by Anthony Belanger; Gene Somerville 2d; Charles Hart 3d. Time, 11.8.

20-yard midget back-stroke—Won by Dennis Knowlton; Anthony Belanger, 2d; Jeff Harry, 3d. Time, 15.0.

50-yard intermediate free-style—Won by Robert Tatro; Tom Mulcahy, 2d; James Quirk, 3d. Time, 29.5.

25-yard intermediate back-stroke—Won by James Quirk; Cosmos Zavilianos, 2d; Joseph Hollister, 3d. Time, 15.9.

50-yard junior free-style—Won by Don Jordan; Arthur Giguere, 2d; John Burbank, 3d. Time, 28.7.

100-yard junior free-style—Won by Don Jordan; Arthur Giguere, 2d; Clarence Beury, 3d. Time, 1:06.8.

50-yard junior breast-stroke—Won by John Burbank; Arthur Giguere, 2d; no third. No time.

50-yard junior back-stroke—Won by Rodney White; John Burbank, 2d. No third. Time, 32.

25-yard intermediate breast-stroke—Won by Harvey Quay; James Quirk, 2d; Cosmos Zavilianos, 3d. Time, 16.8.

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Union Swim Meet At Pittsfield Sunday

7/23/53

Berkshire Hills Event to Feature AAA Races and Special Program for Area Stars

By ED TOOLE

Pittsfield, July 22—The annual Berkshire Hills swimming championships will be staged at Pontoosuc Lake here on Sunday afternoon under the joint sponsorship of The Union and the Department of Parks and Recreation. For the third consecutive year a host of trophies and delals will be furnished by Western New England's leading sports paper. This meet will feature New England AAU outdoor men and women title races as well as a number of events especially designated for Western Massachustees and Berkshire County competitors.

Area swimmers interested in competing for these various awards should contact Henry A. Bonnet, supervisor of recreation, immediately at 52 School Street in Pittsfield. Entries will close on Friday. And any one planning to race in the New England AAU events must fill out an official blank and attach his AAU registration number.

There will be six events in the boys and men's category. Topping the list will be the New England AAU Junior 110 yard backstroke and the NE AAU Junior 110 yard freestyle. There will also be an open senior men's 110 yard breaststroke race which will carry with it The Springfield Union's Western Massachusetts Championship.

Of local interest will be a special limited Springfield Union City of Pittsfield championship event for resident boys 12 years of age and under. This will be a 25 yard freestyle. Still another event that should draw well from all Western Massachusetts areas is the Union's 55 yard freestyle event for novice boys 16 years of age and under.

The schedule of events for girls and women includes three New England AAU championship races. There will be the Junior 110 yard breaststroke, Junior 110 yard backstroke, and the 55 yard breaststroke for girls between the ages of 13 and 14. Here too will be an open event—a senior women's 110 yard freestyle title race carrying the label of The Union's Western Massachusetts Championship.

Girls 16 years of age and under will also have The Union's novice 55 yard freestyle event which should prove exceptionally popular with the young lasses who are interested in breaking into competitive swimming.

And as in past years there will be the two Berkshire County championship races with a trophy going to the victor. There will be what is known as The Union's 50 yard Open freestyle championship limited to bonafide residents of the county. This race will be run for both the males and females.

New England championship medals for first, second and third place winners will be given in all NE AAU and open events. Springfield Union trophies will go to first place winners in the City of Pittsfield, Berkshire County and novice races. Medals will be presented the runnerups and third place finishers.

Berkshire Hills Swim Meet Listed for Today

7/26/53

Springfield Union Trophies to Be at Stake in the County Competition That Will Take Place at Pontoosuc Lake This Afternoon

Pittsfield, July 25—The Springfield Union-sponsored Berkshire Hills swimming meet, which will be a Sunday afternoon highlight at Pontoosuc Lake, holds promise of being the biggest New England AAU event staged in Western New England. The meet is run in conjunction with the Pittsfield Department of Parks and Recreation. .A number of outstanding swimmers from the Greater Boston area, many of whom are AAU titlists, will join forces with swimmers from Western Massachusetts communities and Berkshire County residents to point up some extremely keen racing in all events of this championship program.

There will be such well-known competitive swimmers as Charlie Weatherby and Bob Mattison of Worcester, David Pope of the Emily Bill pool of Springfield, Sid O'Connor and Pat McCarron of the Metropolitan Swim Club of Boston, and Jean Gilman. The latter is the New England AAU 1500-meter freestyle champion. Pat McCarron holds the N. E. AAU 100-yard backstroke title.

Competing from the South Berkshire area will be the brother-sister entry of Jean and Jim Murphy of Great Barrington. Bob Tatro and Joe Stockley will be stroking to uphold the City of Pittsfield in the 55-yard freestyle event for novices under 16 years of age.

Of special local interest will be The Union's Berkshire County championships. These will be 50-yard freestyle races for both boy and girls. The City of Pittsfield title race for resident boys 12 years of age and under will also be popular. This will be a 25-yard freestyle competition. Still another Springfield Union feature event will be the boys and girls novice events. These will be 55-yard freestyle.

Other Events

Connecticut Valley and upper New York State are expected to have a number of entires on the line for the Open Senior Men's and Women's 110-yard competitions. The men will race breaststroke while the women will swim freestyle. Here a Western Massachusetts championship will also be designated.

Highlighting the male portion of the AAU events will be the Junior 110-yard backstroke and the Junior 110-yard freestyle. On the other hand, there will be three AAU girls title events. First will be the Junior 110-yard breaststroke, then the Junior 110-yard backstroke and the 55-yard breaststroke for girls between the ages of 13 and 14.

The Morning Union will present trophies in the Pittsfield, Novice, and Berkshire County title races and medals for second and third place winners. In the NE AAU championships the usual AAU medals for first, second and third place winners will be awarded. Such will also be the case in the two open events. The meet begins at 2 p. m.

By E. H. T.

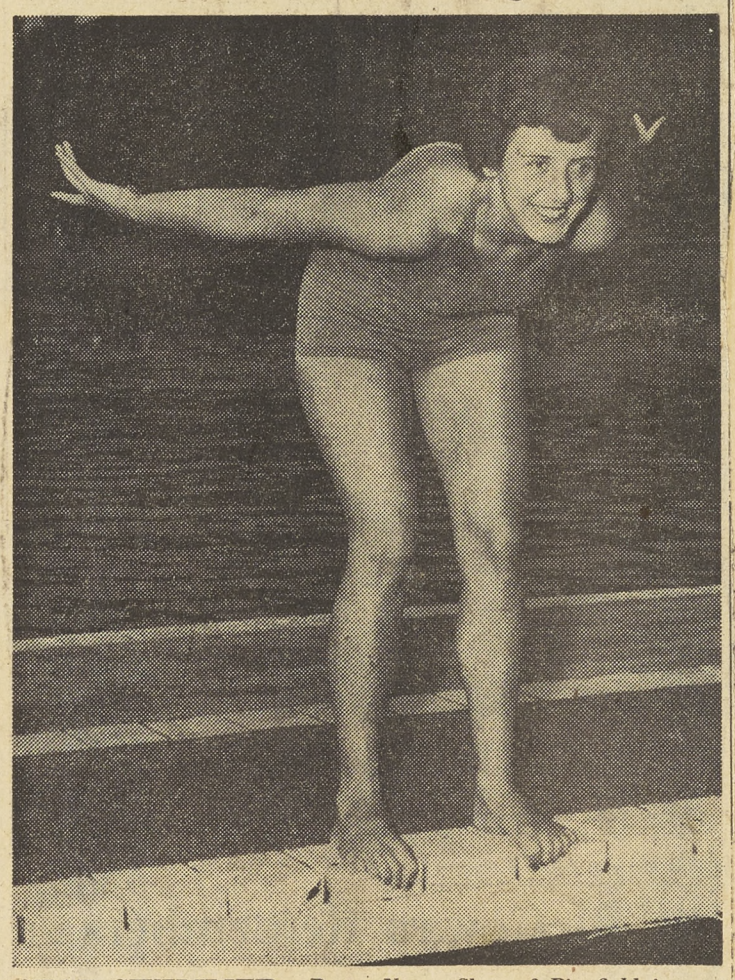
Outdoor Fires At Parks Banned

9/12/53

Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of parks and recreation, announced this noon that permits for outdoor fires at Pontoosuc and Burbank Parks have been withdrawn because these areas are no longer supervised. He warned week-end picnickers not to build fires at these places.

Jordan, Miss Shea Star In NEAAU Swimming Meet

7/27/53



STAR SWIMMER: **Pretty Nancy Shea of Pittsfield is setting a fast pace in official aquatic competition at Pontoosuc Lake this summer. A week ago, she won two events in the city meet, and yesterday established a new record in the junior girls' 110-yard backstroke event in the seventh annual NEAAU championship meet.**

Nancy Shea and Don Jordan, two outstanding Pittsfield swimmers, shared the spotlight yesterday in the Park Department-Springfield Union seventh annual NEAAU meet at Pontoosuc Lake.

Miss Shea, a double winner in the city meet a week ago, established a new record when she won the girls' junior 110-yard NEAAU back-stroke event in 1:32.2.

And Jordan, who moved to this city only a year ago, repeated his double-triumph performance with victories in the Springfield Union's boys' novice 55-yard free-style and the junior men's NEAAU 110-yard free-style races.

Miss Shea, swimming for the Leominster Recreation Center, defeated Jean Gilman in the 110-yard backstroke race after both girls were neck and neck most of the difference.

Easy Victory

Jordan won the 55-yard freestyle in easy fashion, but in the 110-yard event he had to come from behind to beat David Epstein of Lenox. Epstein took the lead after the first 35 yards, but Jordan, in a remarkable finish, caught and passed his opponent in the final length.

One of the most impressive victories in the meet was that of Pittsfield's Kim Burbank in the senior men's open 110-yard breaststroke event. He entered the race about one hour before it started and won by more than half a pool length.

Young Judith Gregory of this city, captured the girls' novice 55-yard free-style, beating out Sylvia Taylor, also of Pittsfield. Judith fell behind at the start, but caught and passed her opponent only 10 yards from the finish.

700 Spectators

In all, 46 young swimmers competed, and a crowd, estimated at nearly 700, watched. Park Department Aquatic Supervisor Henry Bonnet was in charge of the meet. Bob Gross was the referee and starter, Harold Case was head judge, Irene Gauthier was head timer, Alex Houston was clerk of course and John Ryan was the announcer.

Other judges and timers were Norman Hollister, Harold Grandshaw, Edward Mongeon, Willard Yeats, Elmer Allen, Charles Brunnell, Marjorie Gross, Patricia Fitzpatrick and Lynn Thompson.

The summary:

Springfield Union Novice Boys 55 yd. Freestyle—1st, Donald Jordan, time: 32.4; 2d, Robert Tatro; 3d, Joseph Stockey.

Springfield Union Novice Girls 55 yd. Freestyle—1st, Judith Gregory, time: 42.9; 2d, Sylvia Taylor; 3d, Nancy Sheridan.

N.E.A.A.A.U. Junior Men's Backstroke—1st, Frank McCarthy, Time: 1:17.8; 2d, Eugene Sikes; 3d, Alray Considine.

N.E.A.A.A.A.U. Junior Girls 110 yd. Breaststroke—1st, Carmela Salvatore, time: 1.45.4; Marilyn Brauwer; 3d, Sylvia Mason.

Pittsfield 25 yd. Freestyle (Under 12 yrs.)—1st, James Crowley, time: 14.16; 2d, Anthony Belanger; 3d, Corky Schmoyer.

Women's 110 yd. Freestyle (Open Senior)—1st, Beverly Gauthier, time: 1:23.2; 2d, Marily Brouwer; 3d, Lorraine Anderson.

Open Senior Men's 110 yd. Breaststorke—1st, Kim Burbank, time: 1:36.2; 2d, Davis Epstein, Lenox; 3d, no entry.

N.E.A.A.A.U. 55 yd. Breaststroke (13-14 yr.)—1st, Linda Halbert, time: 46.4; 2d, Carmela Salvatore; 3d, Claire Stravinsky.

N.E.A.A.A.U. Junior Girls 110 yd. Backstroke—1st, Nancy Shea, time: 1:32.2; 2d, Jean Gilman; 3d, Sandra Gauthier.

N.E.A.A.A.U. Junior Men's 110 yd. Freestyle—1st, Donald Jordan, time 1:14.0; 2d, David Epstein; 3d, Al Ray Considine.

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Miss Shea Sets New Record in Berkshire NEAAAU Swim Meet

Don Jordan Also Features With Double Triumph in Seventh Annual Springfield Union-Pittsfield Parks Department Event

By RAY FITZGERALD

Pittsfield, July 26 — Nancy Shea's record breaking performance and Don Jordan's double victory highlighted the seventh annual NEAAAU swimming meet at Pontoosuc Lake beach here today before approximately 1000 fans.

Just Does Win

The meet, co-sponsored by The Springfield Union and the Pittsfield Department of Parks and Recreation, had the usual late spurts and dead heat finishes, but it took Miss Shea's performance to set the fans talking.

The youngster backstroked her way to a New England AAU record in the junior 110 yard event, finishing in the time of 1:32.2. At that, she had to hang on to come out ahead of fast-finishing Jean Gilman.

Young Jordan, who moved to Pittsfield just a year ago, captured the novice 55 yard freestyle for boys and the NEAAAU junior 110 yard freestyle event. Jordan is a native of Waltham, the Watch City, and he swam like clockwork today. His win in the 55 yard freestyle was fairly easy, but the longer event was something else again. Jordan was second or third all the way, with Dave Epstein of Lenox taking the lead after 35 yards and appearing an easy victor. But Jordan came from nowhere in the last half-length of the 55 yard pool to snatch the win from Epstein.

Probably the most impressive triumph went to Kim Burbank, standout Pittsfield splasher. He was at the meet just as a spectator, but was persuaded to enter by friends about an hour before the meet started. All the lanky youngster did was win by half a pool length over the luckless Mr. Epstein. In the senior 110 yd. brehststroke smoothstroking Frank McCarthy of the Lowell Boys' Club had almost as easy a time in capturing the NEAAAU junior 110 yard backstroke. He broke out in front and was never headed, winning handily over Gene Sikes of the Springfield Boys' Club, with Al Considine of Bunker Hill Boys' Club third.

Judith Gregory and Sylvia Taylor, both of Pittsfield, put on quite a battle in the novice 55 yard freestyle for girls. Judith fell behind at the start, but caught up about 10 yards from the finish and won by a body length. Nancy Sheridan was third.

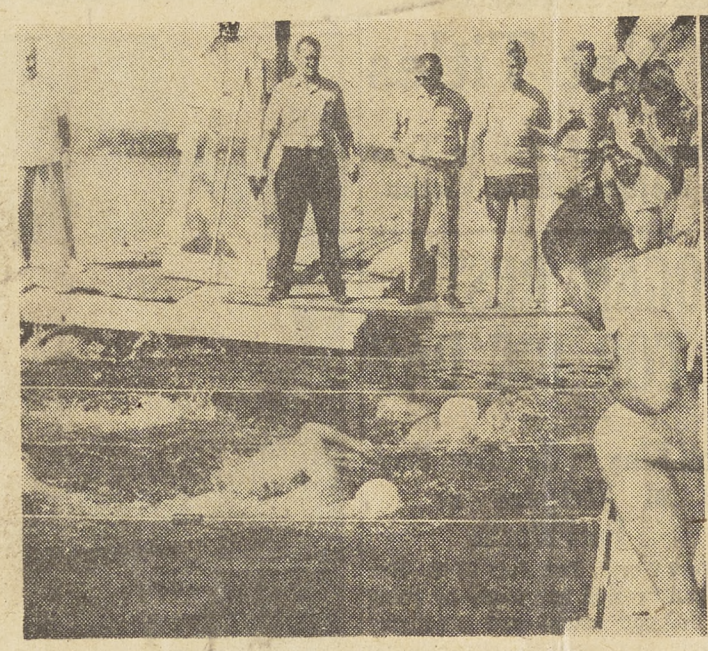
The Worcester Aquamaids club dominated three of the girls events. Carmela Salvatore won the NEAAAU junior 110 yd. breaststroke, with Marilyn Brouwer of Worcester second. Miss Brouwer also finished second to teammate Beverly Gauthier in the open senior women 110 yard freestyle. Miss Salvatore, in turn, finished second to Linda Holbert of—you guessed it—Worcester, in the NEAAAU 13-14-year-old breaststroke event.

Jimmy Crowley of Pittsfield lost his street clothes sometime between the qualifying heats and the finals, but it didn't faze the midget merman. He won easily in the 25 yard freestyle for boys, with Anthony Belanger second and Corky Schmoyer third.

Henry Bonnett had charge of the well-run event today, with Bob Gross the referee and starter, Harold Case as head judge, Irene Gauthier as head timer and Alex Houston as clerk of course. Johnny Ryan was the announcer.

Assistant judges and timers were Elmer Allen, Charlie Bunnell, Marjorie Gross, Patricia Fitzpatrick, Lynn Thompson, Norman Hollister, Harold Grandshaw, Edmond Mongeon, and Willard Yeats.

Close Finish, Runaway Race and Star of



The seventh annual NEAAAU Berkshire Swim Meet, cosponsored by The Springfield Union and the Pittsfie Pontoosuc Lake, Pittsfield, and these were some of the highlights. Photo on left shows close finish of 55 ya with Sylvia Taylor in lane three, second. Center is Nanc y Shea, who set a record in the junior 110 yard backs ing home an easy winner in the NEAAU junior 110 yard backstroke for men. McCarthy w

7/27/53

MORE SWIM CLASSES

Pittsfield, July 27—The Park Department's second series of free swimming classes will start Thursday the 30th at Onota Lake and next Monday, Aug. 3, at Springside and Crane pools. Registrations for the pools, will be taken all this week at the Park Department office or at the pools.

Registration for the classes at Onota will be taken at the bathhouse at Onota from 12 to 5 p. m. on Thursday and Friday and all new registrants will be tested. Registration will be closed after Friday at 5 p. m.

Anyone may register for this series, including those who have taken lessons over the past few weeks.

Second Series Of Swim Classes Starts Thursday

7/28/53

The Park Department announced today that its second series of free swimming classes will begin Thursday night at Onota Lake and Monday at the Springside and Crane playground pools.

Registrations for the Onota classes may be made at the lake's bath house Thursday from noon to 5 PM. Students will be tested Friday.

Anyone may sign up for this second series, including those who have taken lessons before. All classes will be conducted at Springside, Crane and Onota except junior life saving, racing and adult groups. They will be held at Pontoosuc Lake.

JULY 27, 1953 SPORTS

Berkshire Swim Meet

ld Parks and Recreation Department, was held yesterday at d novice free style. Winner was Judith Gregory in lane two, troke. Photo on right shows Frank McCarthy of Lowell breezon by half a length over Gene Sikes of Springfield.

8/8/53

STEP FORWARD: This new flight of steps completed at the Pontoosuc beach is one of the construction projects in Pittsfield's 1953 park improvement program. The steps lead down to the beach from the parking area on Hancock Road. There are 51 of them, three sections with nine steps and four with six steps. The work was done by Contractor Robert Betit on a $5389 city appropriation.

Aquatic Show Is On Tonight At Crane Pool

Aug 12 1953 E-12-53

Pittsfield, Aug. 11 — Miss Lorraine Stewart, swimming instructor for the Parks and Recreation Department, has announced that a special water show, featuring races, novelty stunts, water ballet and demonstrations by members of the beginners' swimming classes, will be given at Crane pool Wednesday at 2. Only those who regularly use the Crane facilities, will participate in the demonstrations.

Henry Bonnet, supervisor of aquatics, announces that adult instruction every Monday and Wednesday evening from 6 to 7 will be included in the present series of free swimming classes at Onota and at Pontoosuc every Tuesday and Thursday evening at the same time.

Anyone interested in registering for either of these classes or for the diving class which will take place on Friday evenings at Pontoosuc from 6 until 7, should report to the instructor during class hours.

Louis Verchot, beachmaster, and Clair Rowen, instructor, will supervise a new 18-hour course in senior lifesaving which started yesterday at Pontoosuc. This class will be held every Monday through Friday from 6 until 7 p. m.

Aquatic Show To Be Held At Crane Pool

Aug 12 1953 E-12-53

A special aquatic show, featuring races, novelty stunts, water ballets and demonstrations by beginners, will be held at 2 tomorrow afternoon at Crane pool. Only children who regularly use the facilities at Crane will participate. Miss Lorraine Stewart, Park Department swimming instructor, is in charge of the program.

Aquatic Supervisor Henry Bonnett has announced the adult swimming classes will be given Monday and Wednesday evenings at Onota Lake, and Tuesday and Thursday evenings at Pontoosuc Lake from 6 to 7. The classes are part of the department's series of free swimming clinics.

Persons interested in swimming or diving classes may register with the instructors. Diving instruction will be given between 6 and 7 Friday nights at Pontoosuc.

An 18-hour course in senior lifesaving began yesterday at Pontoosuc and will continue every Monday through Friday from 6 to 7. Louis Verchot and Clair Rowen are in charge.

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THE SPRINGFIELD

Total of 138,945 Use City's 18 Play Areas

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Pittsfield, Aug. 28—Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of parks and recreation, today announced that a total of 138,945 children and adults used the city's 18 playgrounds during the nine week season ending Aug. 21.

Attendance at beaches and pools reached a total of 100,609 as of the week ending Aug. 22. This figure includes 64,555 for Pontoosuc and 28,172 for Onota. The pools closed Aug. 21, but the bathing areas at Pontoosuc and Onota will remain open through Labor Day.

The department rented picnic kits to 86 groups, with an attendance of 5784 and 2566 picnic table reservations were made, with an attendance of 20,528.

In the learn-to-swim campaign, 583 children and adults took part with 77 graduating from classes for beginners, intermediates, swimmers, advanced swimmers and junior lifesaving. One more testing session will be held tomorrow morning at Pontoosuc from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Financial receipts for Pontoosuc and Onota amounted to $3359 and 700 participated in the mardi gras parade witnessed by 8000. Another 2225 took advantage of free roller skating for all playground children offered by Broyles' Arena.

Six band concerts and five free block dances were given throughout the summer with the concerts attracting 3400 and the dances 2500. The department also sponsored a special band concert at the Majestics' benefit game and cosponsored the square dance festival at Wahconah Park in June. Two of the band concerts and all of the dances were paid for by Local 109 of the American Federation of Musicians.

Last band concert of the summer will take place Monday, Sept. 7, at 7.30 in Park Square.

Wading Pools Close Friday For the Season

8-14-53

The Park Department announced today that the Springside and Crane wading pools will close officially for the season at 5 Friday afternoon. There will be no supervision of any kind at these areas after that time. The public bathing areas at Pontoosuc and Onota Lakes will continue supervised operation until after the Labor Day week end, however.

Sixteen boys and girls have registered for the Park Department's tennis classes which began yesterday. Additional registrations will be accepted until Friday.

The final dress rehearsal for the playground pageant tomorrow night will be held at 6.30 tonight at Wahconah Park. Because of the event, a block dance originally scheduled tomorrow night has been postponed until next Thursday evening at 9.

Regular activities scheduled at the city's playgrounds tomorrow are:

Springside—Story-telling hour at 11.
Allendale—Freckle contest at 11; button contest at 2.
Common—Farewell party at 2.
Lakewood—Horseshoe tournament at 2.
Francis—Farewell party at 2.
Osceola—Nature hike at 10.
West—Sandbox contest at 2.
Coolidge—Baseball game with Clapp at Clapp at 10.30.

Playground results:

Lakewood—Boys' baseball: Lakewood 5, Coolidge 3. Winners of sandbox contest: 1st, Donald Rilla and Michael Knox; 2d, Karen Knox and Keith Hover.

Playgrounds To Stage Pageant On August 20

Pittsfield's 18 playgrounds will co-operate in the staging of what promises to be a gigantic pageant at the Wahconah Park Stadium on Thursday night, August 20, according to an announcement by the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Between 150 and 200 children will participate in the extravaganza which is being given for the benefit of an accident fund. Contributions will be accepted but no ticket fee will be charged for the event. It will start promptly at 7.30 p. m. and will be regarded as the grand finale to the playground season in Pittsfield.

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Picnic Kit Deadline

The Park Department announced today that arrangements for rental of picnic kits over the week end should be made prior to 5 PM Fridays. No kits will be given out Saturdays. This policy will continue through Oct. 30.

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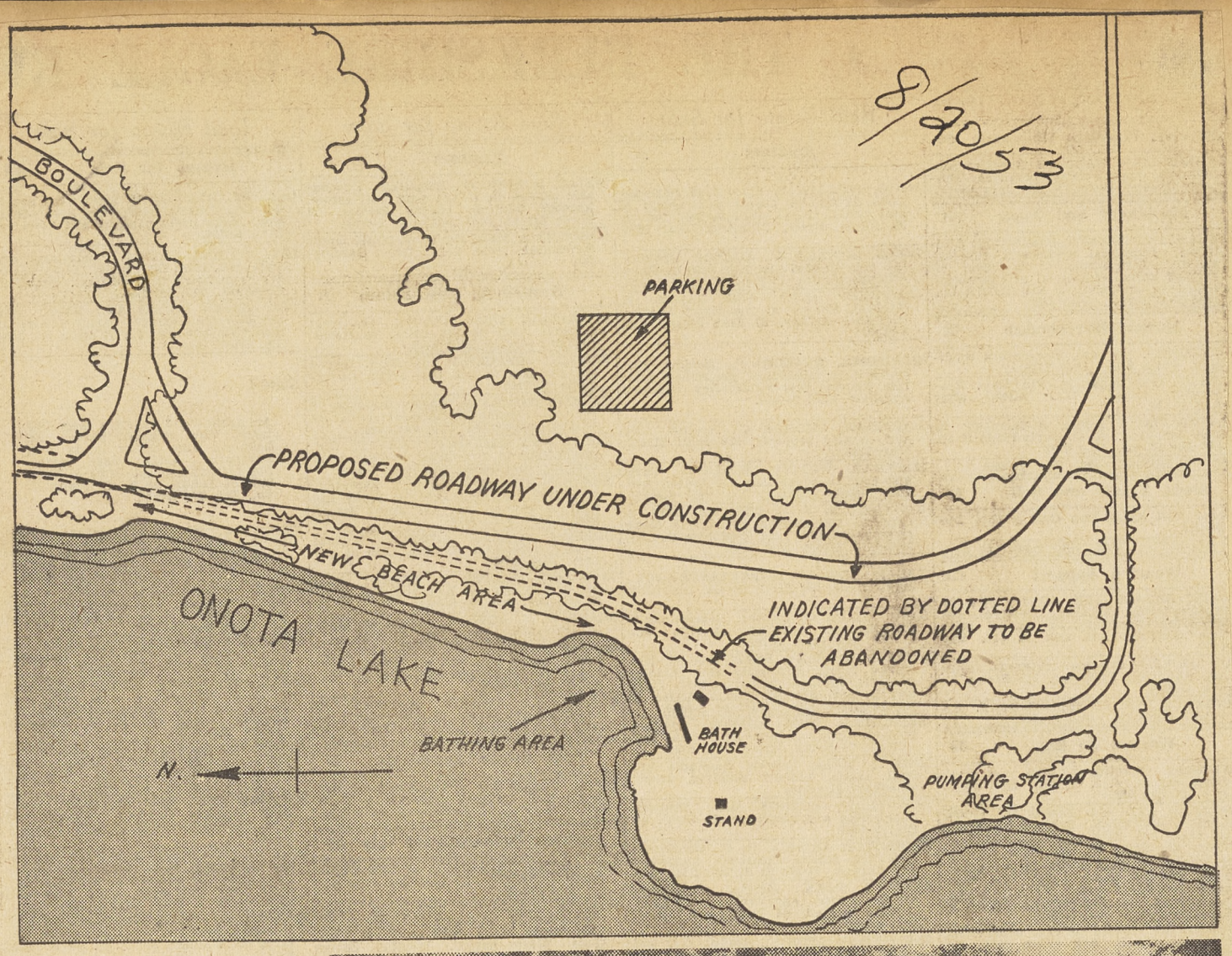


Burbank Park 'New Look' Half Completed

Improved Layout Stresses Safety, Serviceability

By LARSON M. POWELL

Everything but the waterline is being relocated as the Parks and Recreation Department improvement program for Burbank Park passes the half-way mark. With a major assist from the Public Works Department, Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert hopes to present a layout to those who use the Onota Lake facilities in 1954 that will not only be more serviceable but considerably safer.

The relocation of Lakeway Drive comprises the bulk of the work that Superintendent Hebert would like to have completed by the start of next summer's swimming season. The road has long been a triple threat to both motorists and pedestrians from the safety angle. In addition to running dangerously close to the swimming and sunbathing areas, the right of way features a hair-raising blind curve that has resulted in one fatal accident and is far too narrow to permit unobstructed operation on busy days.

As early as 1951, this project received top priority on Mr. Hebert's requests for capital outlay funds when he asked for $25,000 to do the job. No money was granted until last year, however, when a $5000 appropriation enabled the Park Department maintenance crews to clear all of the trees from the proposed roadway. A start was also made on grading.

This summer, the Public Works Department has taken over construction operations through a $10,000 grant from the Works' Department capital outlay fund and City Engineer John F. Daniels expects about 65 per cent of the work to be completed under this appropriation. Another $9000—$10,000 will be needed next year to complete work on drainage and landscaping along with putting the finished surface on the roadbed.

The new roadway will be 35 feet wide, as contrasted to the 18-foot width of the old right of way, and will have an extra-wide shoulder on the Onota Lake side to provide space for parking. Once the relocated section is completed, the old roadway from Onota Boulevard to the bathhouse will be ripped up to allow development of a new beach and sunbathing area. The southern section of the old roadway, leading down the hill to the pumping station, will be kept open as an entrance to the already-existing parking area, which Mr. Hebert hopes to have enlarged and surfaced. Another parking lot will be cleared from land above the relocated section and stairways built from the new roadway down to the waterfront.

Under Mr. Hebert's blueprint, the land between the old and new roadways will be used for expanding picnic facilities, the final touch for Burbank Park's "new look" for '54.

RECREATION PROJECT: The above drawing and picture of construction work on new roadway illustrate what is being done to make more accessible and safer the facilities at Burbank Park. The project is scheduled for completion by June of next year.

Lose Something?

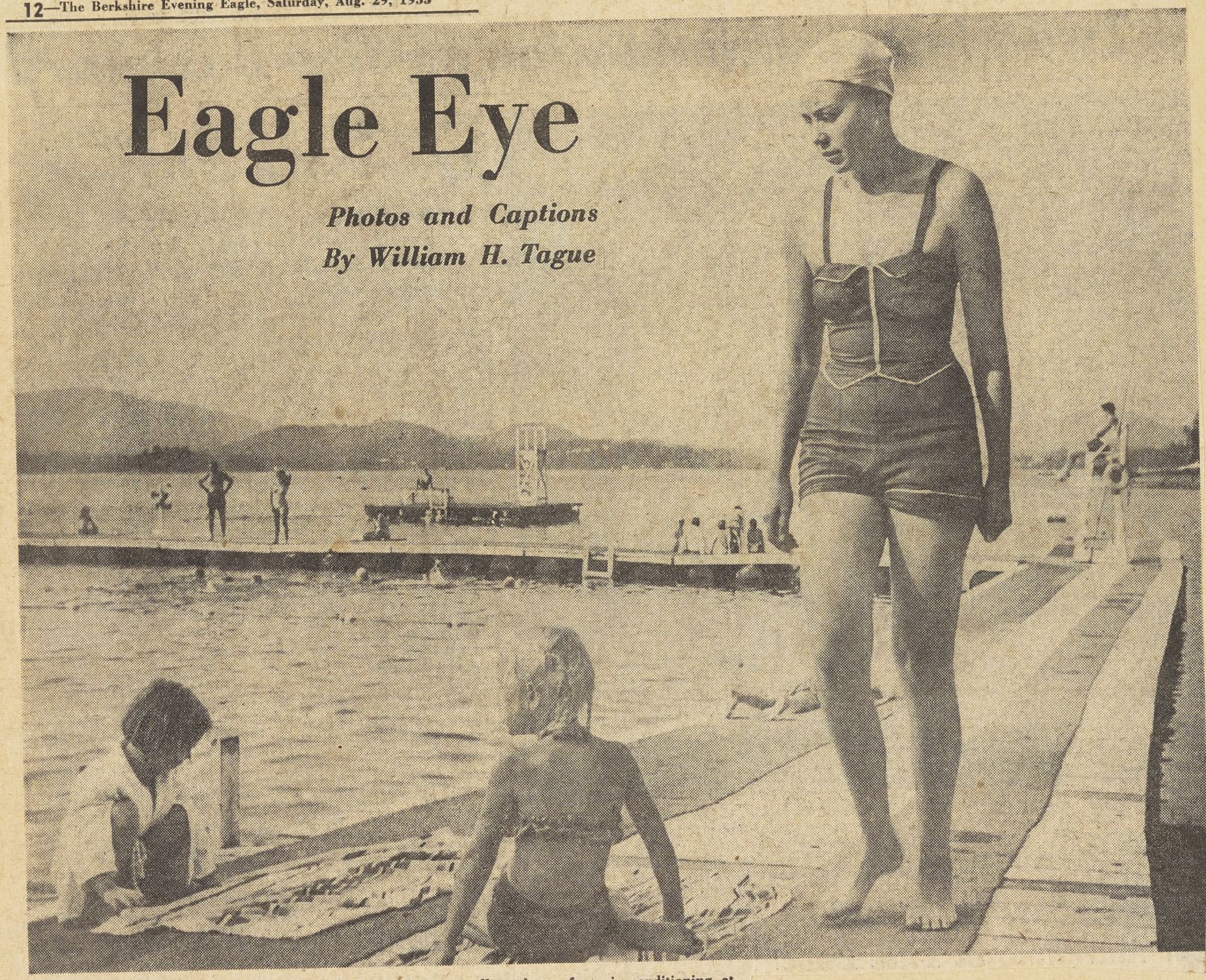
9/17/53

Eighty-eight articles—ranging from Scout handbooks to a wedding ring—are among the lost and found items currently reposing in the Park Department office. The items, found at the playgrounds, Wahconah Park and the Onota and Pontoosuc Lake bathhouses, must be claimed within 30 days, according to Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert. Thereafter, they will be donated to a charitable organization.

Other articles on tap are: A rosary, wallets, bathing trunks, blankets, shoes, caps, water goggles and a pair of glasses. Also T-shirts, keys, sweaters, blouses, shorts and dungarees.

Eagle Eye

Photos and Captions
By William H. Tague



WARM WEEK: Three young ladies, two small and one tall, soak up free air conditioning at Pontoosuc public bathing area. Hot dog days suddenly arrived this week and the warm weather, contrasting sharply with recent cool spell, attracted droves of swimmers to the lake for relief of a wet dip.

THAT'S KID STUFF: A minor tiff seems to have arisen in the sand box at Pontoosuc Lake bathing area between Betty Jane Russell, 4, of 160 Bradford Street, and Joanne Rose, 2, of Dalton. Perhaps Betty feels her advanced age and experience prohibits her from tasting the mud pudding being whipped up by Joanne.

9/6/53

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E. M. Flynn Heads Sunshine Club

Edward M. Flynn of 112 Madison Avenue was elected president of the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club at the annual meeting last night at the American Legion Home. He succeeds David E. Murray.

Other officers named were Miss Caroline Holden, treasurer, and Mrs. Alfred E. Clark, secretary.

The club which serves 225 members also voted to trade six of its television sets for larger screen models. The sets are loaned to shut-ins on its list. Last month, 127 bouquets were distributed to the homes of members.

The installation of officers will be at a dinner meeting May 9, at the White Tree Inn.

Sunshine

8/21/53

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

Nearly three years ago I was asked to be a visitor to shut-ins who were members of the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club. Knowing little about the aims of this club I accepted and began going into the homes of shut-ins. Since then I have tried, with the help of about 15 other visitors, to bring cheer by sending birthday lists of the members each month and greeting cards at Easter, arranging for a visitor to call on them, etc. This is a most worthwhile project, and if people would realize how much happiness a short visit, a card or a bouquet of flowers brings to our members, I am sure they themselves would be much happier for it.

Mrs. JAMES A. HARMON.
Pittsfield.

Rummage Sale, Movies Benefit Bobby Kidney Club

9/2/53

The Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club coffers were enriched this week through three neighborhood projects, Treasurer Carolyn E. Holden of 45 Reed St. announced today.

James Martin and Richard W. Hallock of Dodge Ave. showed movies to their neighbors, turning $7.90 over to the club. Another movie promoter was William Archey of 228 Union St. who showed films on his lawn, realizing another $8. Miss JoAnn Prouse of Jason St. held a rummage sale to further bolster the club's funds.

The club was organized to help shut-ins throughout the area.

Sunshine Club Sets Aug. 22 For Fund Drive

8-13-53

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The annual drive for funds of the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club which will be Saturday, Aug. 22, was discussed by Edward M. Flynn, president, at the meeting last evening at the White Tree Inn. In case of rain, the drive will be the following Saturday.

Children will be the solicitors, as in previous years. The president reported that as of last evening there were 250 shut-in members of the club, also that 20 birthday cakes were distributed in July, and that 85 flower bouquets were delivered to members.

Sunshine Club Drive Tops Goal by $400

8-25-53

The Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club's sixth annual one-day fund drive went over the top by more than $400 yesterday.

Officers of the club said that "more than $2900" was raised to help 'provide entertainment and gifts for the club's 260-odd shut-ins. This year's goal was $2500.

A big help in the drive was the invitation extended to the club by the American Legion to canvass Wahconah Park yesterday during the eastern sectional junior baseball tournament. This netted $271.

After the drive, every child who helped solicit money was given a one-pound box of chocolates in appreciation of his work.

Sunshine Club activities are carried on mainly by a small group of volunteers who supply shut-ins with flowers, birthday cakes, television entertainment, Christmas gifts and home movies. The club has seven TV sets, which are loaned to shut-ins, and two movie projectors.

Sunshine Club Seeks $2500

8-20-53

Annual Drive To Be Saturday, 9 AM to 8 PM

The Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club has set a goal of $2500 for its sixth annual drive Saturday from 9 AM to 8 PM.

More than 250 children, under the supervision of volunteer adults, will conduct a house-to-house canvass to raise the money necessary for the continuance of the club's work with shut-ins. In case of rain, the drive will be postponed until Aug. 29. Edward M. Flynn of 112 Madison Avenue is drive chairman.

All solicitors will carry sealed cardboard containers identified by stickers labeled "Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club." Anyone approached by solicitors without the proper containers should call the Park Department and anyone not contacted may make his contribution by calling the Park Department or mailing it to the club, care of Post Office Box 63, Pittsfield.

The annual drive is the main source of funds for the club's program, which last year saw 1700 bouquets, 240 birthday cakes and 250 Christmas gifts distributed. Some 270 members are enrolled in the club.

In addition the club showed sound movies in 225 homes and installed television sets in 50 homes for four week periods. A weekly

Bobby Kidney Drive Saturday

8/21/53

Pittsfield, Aug. 20—Edward M. Flynn, president of the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club has announced that the club will conduct its sixth annual fund raising drive Saturday between the hours of 9 a. m. and 8 p. m. The solicitors, over 250 children, are under supervision of a staff of volunteer men and women. They will carry sealed cardboard containers identified by sticker labels, "Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club." A goal of $2500 has been set.

It is asked that contributions be made to qualified solicitors, only. If anyone wishes to make a contribution and can not be contacted the Park Department Office will take phone calls or the donations may be mailed to the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club, P. O. Box 63, Pittsfield. In case of rain the drive will be held on Aug. 29.

The funds realized from the drive are used for Pittsfield shut-ins. Anyone regardless of age, who is a shut-in living in Pittsfield, can become a member of this club by sending his or her name to the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club, Pittsfield, Mass.

In Brief . . .

8-25-53

It was both appropriate and gratifying that an overflow audience turned out for yesterday's South Mountain concert, which was dedicated to the memory of Willem Willeke and was performed by Carroll Glenn, one of his most distinguished protégés . . . In exceeding its $2500 goal by more than $400—and in one day, at that—the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club demonstrated again how effective a handful of amateur fund-raisers can be when they're allied with a heart-warming cause . . . Complaints that the stench in the east branch of the Housatonic hasn't been appreciably improved by chemical treatment merely re-emphasize the fact that there's no really effective treatment short of a wholesale depollution job . . .

The thoughtful defense of idealism, nonconformity and Yankee individualism heard in the able speeches at the Laurell Hill centennial Saturday is proof that the passage of an increasingly materialistic century has done nothing to diminish the association's intellectual vigor . . . In agreeing to tackle the huge job of supplying 1000 trained first-aid workers for Pittsfield's civil defense effort, the county Red Cross organization has shown once again its disdain for the word "can't" . . .

School Leagues Resume Monday

After a two-week lay-off, the Park and Recreation Department Bowling League will resume Monday. The Boys' intermediate leagues will roll at the New Jefferson and Eagle Alleys, Monday. On Tuesday, the boy's junior league will roll at Lou's and the girls' junior and intermediate league at the Sport Haven lanes.

Department leagues roll a schedule of 15 to 20 weeks, depending on the number of teams in the league. At the end of the season, each member of the championship teams receives an award; high average bowlers and the most-improved bowlers get trophies. The leagues will end the latter part of March.

Parks, Recreation Boys' and Girls' Bowling Leagues

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Whirlwinds	2	0	3
Wildcats	2	0	3
Jets	1	1	2
Eagles	1	1	2
Black Jacks	1	1	1
Wizzards	1	1	1
Mighty Mites	0	2	0
Bullets	0	2	0

High team score (single and double), Jets 383, 724.
High individual score (single), G. Lunt 90, Wizzards; (double), L. Pia 177, Black Jacks.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE NO. 1

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Rinky Dinks	3	0	4
Sport Havens	3	0	4
Little Six	0	3	0
Eagles	0	3	0

High team score (single and double), Sport Havens 326, 961.
High individual score (single and triple), D. Allen 133, 344, Sport Havens.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE NO. 2

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Hillbillies	2	0	3
49'ers	2	0	3
Morningside Aces	1	1	2
Strikers	1	1	1
Ninety Club	0	2	0
Golden Bears	0	2	0

High team score (single and double), Hillbillies 403, 790.
High individual score (single), B. Kelly 95, Morningside Aces; (double), D. Robare 166, Hillbillies.

GIRLS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Mocking Birds	4	0	6
Blue Jays	2	2	3
Blue Birds	2	2	3
Peacocks	0	4	0

High team score (single and double), Blue Jays 438, 787.
High individual score (single), M. Settle 87, Blue Birds; (double), C. Bercury 157, Blue Jays.

GIRLS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Co-Eds	4	0	6
Alley Wreckers	3	1	4
Shamrocks	1	3	2
Wahconah Aces	0	4	0

High team score (single and double), Alley Wreckers 402, 772.
High individual score (single and double), P. McHendry 90, 168, Alley Wreckers.

Parks, Recreation Boys' and Girls' Bowling Leagues

2-9-53

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Whirlwinds	4	0	6
Wildcats	2	1	4
Jets	2	2	3
Eagles	2	2	3
Black Jacks	2	2	3
Wizzards	2	2	3
Bullets	1	3	2
Mighty Mites	0	4	0

High team score (single), Wizzards 353; (double), Whirlwinds 674.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE NO. 1

Three weeks, three games per week, championship series being rolled off by the Rinky Dinks and the Sport Havens to determine league championships. Rinky Dinks won first week series by defeating the Sport Havens by 54 pins in total pinfall, Rinky Dinks 1321, Sport Havens 1267.

High individual score for week (single), E. Sweeney 105, Sport Havens; (triple), J. Donovan 289, Rinky Dinks.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE NO. 2

	Won	Lost	Pts.
49ers	4	0	6
Morningside Aces	3	1	5
Strikers	3	1	4
Hillbillies	2	2	3
Ninety Club	0	4	0
Golden Bears	0	4	0

High team score (single and double), 49ers 404, 787.
High individual score (single and dou-

...shape this year.

Park, Recreation Boys' and Girls' Bowling Leagues

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Jets	13	4	22
Black Jacks	12	6	18
Mighty Mites	10	7	12
Wildcats	8	10	12
Bullets	8	10	12
Whirlwinds	8	10	12
Wizzards	8	10	11
Eagles	6	12	8

High team score (single and double), Whirlwinds 402, 769.
High individual score (single), B. Murphy 103, Wizzards. (Double), G. Lunt 174, Wizzards.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE NO. 1

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Sport Haven	22	5	29
Eagles	18	9	24
Rinky Dinks	18	9	24
Little Six	14	13	19
Jeff (6)	11	16	15
Cardinals	8	19	10

High team score (single), Sport Haven 552; (double), Little (6) 1575.
High individual score (single) D. Allen 114, Sport Haven; (double), R. Carnevale 285, Eagles.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE NO. 2

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Hillbillies	12	6	18
Golden Bears	11	7	16
Morningside Aces	9	9	16
Strikers	10	8	13
49-ers	9	9	15
Ninety Club	9	9	12

High team score (single and double), 49-ers 399, 785.
High individual score (single and double), J. Garrison 96, 169, Morningside Aces.

GIRLS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Peacocks	12	6	17
Blue Jays	10	8	15
Mocking Birds	9	9	13
Blue Birds	5	13	9

High team score (single and double), Peacocks, 358, 687.
High individual score (single and double), C. Merriam 91, 175, Blue Jays.

GIRLS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Alley Wreckers	16	2	28
Wahconah Aces	8	10	12
Shamrocks	7	11	9
Co-Eds	5	13	8

High team score (single and double), Alley Wreckers 389, 778.
High individual score (single and double), J. Seddon 115, 211, Alley Wreckers.

Parks, Recreation Boys' and Girls' Bowling League

2-14-53

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Wildcats	5	1	7
Whirlwinds	4	2	6
Eagles	4	2	6
Wizzards	4	2	6
Jets	3	3	5
Black Jacks	2	4	3
Bullets	1	5	2
Mighty Mites	1	5	1

High team score (single and double), Wizzards 413, 782.
High individual score (single and double), G. Lunt 96, 173, Wizzards.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE NO. 2

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Morningside Aces	5	1	8
Strikers	5	1	7
49ers	4	2	6
Hillbillies	2	4	3
Golden Bears	2	4	3
Ninety Club	0	6	0

High team score (single and double), Strikers 413, 791.
High individual score (single and double), R. Provenzano 106, 176, Golden Bears.

GIRLS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Mocking Birds	6	2	10
Peacocks	4	4	6
Blue Jays	3	5	4
Blue Birds	3	5	4

High team score (single and double), Mocking Birds 403, 801.
High individual score (single and double), C. Merriam 100, 161, Blue Jays.

GIRLS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Co-Eds	8	0	12
Alley Wreckers	5	3	7
Shamrocks	2	6	4
Wahconah Aces	1	7	1

High team score (single and double), Alley Wreckers 408, 805.
High individual score (single and double), P. McHendry 94, 170, Alley Wreckers.

Parks, Recreation Boys' and Girls' Bowling Leagues

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Jets	15	4	24
Black Jacks	14	6	21
Mighty Mites	10	9	24
Whirlwinds	10	10	15
Wizzards	10	10	14
Wildcats	8	12	12
Bullets	8	12	12
Eagles	6	14	8

High team score (single and double), Jets 341, 677.
High individual score (single and double), L. Pia 100, 189, Black Jacks.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE NO. 1

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Sport Havens	24	6	32
Eagles	21	9	28
Rinky Dinks	21	9	28
Little Six	15	15	20
Jeff (6)	11	19	15
Cardinals	8	22	10

High team score (single and triple), Sport Havens 526, 1532.
High individual score (single), G. Donovan 112, Little Six; (double), D. Allen 280, Sport Havens.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LFAGUE NO. 2

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Morningside Aces	11	9	19
Golden Bears	11	9	19
Hillbillies	12	8	18
49'ers	9	11	15
Strikers	11	9	14
Ninety Club	10	10	14

High team score (single and double), Morningside Aces 405, 757.
High individual score (single and double), J. Guinan 117, 185, Morningside.

GIRLS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Mocking Birds	2	0	3
Blue Jays	2	0	3
Peacocks	0	2	0
Blue Birds	0	2	0

High team score (single and double), Blue Jays 351, 700.
High individual score (single and double), G. Merriam 81, 161, Blue Jays.

GIRLS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Co-Eds	2	0	3
Shamrocks	1	1	2
Alley Wreckers	1	1	1
Wahconah Aces	0	2	0

High team score (single and double), Alley Wreckers 391, 768.
High individual score (single and double), J. Seddon 93, 180, Alley Wreckers.

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BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Wildcats	6	2	8
Eagles	5	3	8
Wizzards	5	3	8
Jets	5	3	8
Whirlwinds	4	4	6
Black Jacks	3	5	4
Bullets	2	6	4
Mighty Mites	2	6	2

High team score (single), Wizzards 385; (double), Jets 750.
High individual score (single and double), G. Lunt 96, 184; Wizzards.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Morningside Aces	7	1	11
Strikers	6	2	9
49ers	5	3	7
Hillbillies	2	6	3
Golden Bears	2	6	3
Ninety Club	2	6	3

High team score (single and double), Strikers 424, 796.
High individual score (single and double), G. Vuillemot 97, 186; Strikers.

GIRLS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Mocking Birds	6	4	10
Peacocks	6	4	9
Blue Jays	5	5	7
Blue Birds	3	7	4

High team score (single and double), Blue Birds 359, 694.
High individual score (single and double), C. Merriam 88, 161; Blue Jays.

GIRLS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Coeds	9	1	13
Alley Wreckers	7	3	10
Shamrocks	3	7	6
Wahconah Aces	1	9	1

High team score (single and double), Alley Wreckers 369, 677.
High individual score (single and double), J. Seddon 113, 202; Alley Wreckers

Parks, Recreation Boys' and Girls' Bowling Leagues

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PARKS AND RECREATION BOWLING LEAGUES STANDINGS

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Wildcats	8	2	11
Eagles	7	3	11
Wizzards	7	3	10
Jets	7	3	10
Whirlwinds	4	5	6
Black Jacks	3	7	4
Bullets	2	8	4
Mighty Mites	2	8	3

High team score (single and double), Jets 350, 693.
High individual score (single and double), L. Pia 90, 177, Black Jacks.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Morningside Aces	7	3	11
49ers	7	3	10
Strikers	6	4	9
Hillbillies	4	6	6
Ninety Club	4	6	6
Golden Bears	2	8	3

High team score (single and double), 49ers 441, 848.
High individual score (single), S. Trombley 101, 49ers; (double), G. Lizzotte 197, 49ers.

GIRLS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Peacocks	8	4	12
Mocking Birds	7	5	11
Blue Jays	6	6	9
Blue Birds	3	9	4

High team score (single and double), Blue Jays, 401, 796.
High individual score (single and double), L. Metropole 80, 158, Peacocks.

GIRLS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Co-Eds	10	2	14
Alley Wreckers	8	4	12
Shamrocks	4	8	9
Wahconah Aces	2	10	2

High team score (single and double), 370, 700.
High individual score (single and double), J. Seddon 95, 186, Alley Wreckers.

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PARK AND RECREATION BOWLING LEAGUE STANDINGS

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Wizzards	10	4	15
Eagles	11	3	16
Jets	9	5	13
Wildcats	8	6	11
Mighty Mites	6	8	8
Whirlwinds	5	9	7
Black Jacks	4	10	6
Bullets	3	11	5

High team score (single and double), Wizzards 396, 732.
High individual score (single and double), L. Pia 87, 170, Black Jacks.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE NO. 2

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Morningside Aces	10	4	15
49ers	10	4	14
Strikers	7	7	11
Hillbillies	5	9	8
Ninety Club	5	9	7
Golden Bears	5	9	7

High team score (single and double), 49ers 412, 802.
High individual score (single), R. Trombley 96, 49ers. (Double), T. Pivero 174, 49ers.

GIRLS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts
Mocking Birds	10	6	16
Blue Jays	9	7	13
Peacocks	8	8	12
Blue Birds	5	11	7

High team score (single and double), Blue Jays 421, 839.
High individual score (single and double), A. Lester 92, 177, Mocking Birds.

GIRLS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Co-Eds	13	3	19
Alley Wreckers	12	4	18
Shamrocks	5	11	9
Wahconah Aces	2	12	2

High individual score (single and double), Alley Wreckers 438, 829.
High individual score (single and double), G. Daury 117, 212, Co-Eds.

Parks, Recreation Boys' and Girls' Bowling Leagues

2-4-53

PARK AND RECREATION BOWLING LEAGUES

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Wizzards	14	4	21
Eagles	12	6	18
Jets	9	9	13
Wildcats	9	9	13
Mighty Mites	9	9	13
Black Jacks	7	8	10
Bullets	6	12	9
Whirlwinds	6	12	8

High team score (single and double), Mighty Mites 372, 726.
High individual score (single and double), L. Pia 100, 191, Black Jacks.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE NO. 2

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Morningside Aces	13	5	20
49ers	13	5	19
Strikers	7	11	11
Hillbillies	7	11	11
Ninety Club	8	10	10
Golden Bears	6	12	9

High team score (single and double), 49ers 429, 833.
High individual score (single and double), R. Trombley 112, 186, 49ers.

GIRLS' JUNIOR LEAGUE
Final Standing

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Mocking Birds	11	9	18
Blue Jays	12	8	17
Peacocks	10	8	15
Blue Birds	5	13	7

High team score (single and double), Mocking Birds 366, 709.
High individual score (single and double), C. Merriam 93, 175, Blue Jays.

Parks, Recreation Boys' and Girls' Bowling Leagues

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BOYS' MIDGET LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Mighty Mites	8	2	12
Tigers	7	3	10
Wildcats	6	4	9
Jets	4	6	7
Pirates	2	8	4
Scorpions	3	7	3

High team score: (S. & D.) Mighty Mites 333, 661.
High individual score: (S. & D.) E. Wolcott 100, 180, Mighty Mites.

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Pinboy Aces	10	0	15
Wizzards	8	2	12
Morningside Aces	6	4	9
Roughhouse (5)	3	7	5
Pin Pushers	3	7	4
Five Aces	0	10	0

High team score: (Single) Pinboy Aces 424; (double) Wizzards 809.
High individual score: (S. & D.) Lou Pia, 116, 211, Wizzards.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Rinkydinks	8	2	12
Tigers	6	4	9
Diamonds	5	5	8
Mix-Ups	5	4	7
Owls Club	3	6	5
Jeff (5)	2	8	1

High team score: (S. & D.) Diamonds 348, 658.
High individual score: (S. & D.) Fred Morin 99, 184, Jeff (5).

GIRLS' MIDGET LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Orioles	4	2	5
Canaries	5	1	8
Sparrows	2	4	3
Wrens	1	5	2

High team score: (S. & D.) Sparrows 301, 573.
High individual score: (S. & D.) S. Shea 84, 166, Canaries.

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PARKS AND RECREATION BOWLING LEAGUES

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Eagles	9	3	13
Wizzards	9	3	13
Wildcats	8	4	11
Jets	7	5	11
Whirlwinds	5	7	7
Black Jacks	4	8	6
Mighty Mites	4	8	5
Bullets	2	10	4

High Team Score (S & D) Wizzards 383, 723.
High Individual Score (S & D) L. Pia 99, 179; Black Jacks.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE NO. 2

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Morningside Aces	8	4	13
49'ers	8	4	11
Strikers	7	5	11
Hillbillies	5	7	8
Ninety Club	5	7	7
Golden Bears	3	9	4

High Team Score (S & D) Hillbillies 417, 818.
High Individual Score (Single) B. Pellerin 97; Hillbillies; (Double) G. Vuillemont 183; Strikers.

GIRLS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Mocking Birds	8	6	13
Peacocks	8	6	12
Blue Jays	8	6	12
Blue Birds	4	10	5

High Team Score (S & D) Blue Jays 429, 842.
High Individual Score (S & D) M. Mitchell 88, 172; Blue Jays.

GIRLS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Coeds	12	2	17
Alley Wreckers	10	4	15
Shamrocks	4	10	8
Waconah Aces	2	12	2

High Team Scores (S & D) Alley Wreckers 442, 816.
High Individual Score (S & D) P. McHendry 111, 191; Alley Wreckers.

Parks, Recreation Boys and Girls Bowling League

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BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Wizzards	12	4	18
Eagles	11	5	16
Jets	9	7	13
Wildcats	8	8	11
Mighty Mites	8	8	11
Black Jacks	6	10	9
Bullets	5	11	8
Whirlwinds	5	11	7

High team score (single and double), Wizzards 373, 712.
High individual score (single), C. Francher 96, Wizzards. (Double), L. Pia, 170, Black Jacks.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE NO. 2

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Morningside Aces	12	4	19
49ers	12	4	17
Strikers	7	9	11
Ninety Club	7	9	9
Hillbillies	5	11	8
Golden Bears	5	11	7

High team score (single and double), 49ers 421, 807.
High individual score (single and double), T. Pivero 110, 199, 49ers.

GIRLS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Mocking Birds	10	8	16
Blue Jays	10	7	16
Peacocks	10	8	15
Blue Birds	5	13	7

High team score (single and double), Blue Jays 443, 882.
High individual score(single and double), M. Mitchell 86, 163, Blue Jays.

GIRLS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Co-Eds	14	4	21
Alley Wreckers	13	5	19
Shamrocks	7	11	12
Wahconah Aces	2	16	2

High team score (single and double), Alley Wreckers 401, 794.
High individual score (single and double), P. McHendry 91, 167, Alley Wreckers.

Parks, Recreation Boys' and Girls' Bowling Leagues

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PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT BOWLING LEAGUE STANDINGS
BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE
FINAL STANDING

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Wizzards	16	4	24
Eagles	12	8	18
Jets	10	10	15
Mighty Mites	9	11	13
Black Jacks	9	11	13
Bullets	8	12	12
Whirlwinds	6	14	8

High team score, (single and double), Jets 362, 689.
High individual score (single and double), L. Pia 113, 213, Black Jacks.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE
FINAL STANDING

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Morningside Aces	15	5	23
Forty-Niners	13	7	19
Ninety Club	10	10	13
Golden Bears	9	11	12
Strikers	7	13	11
Hillbillies	7	13	11

High team score (single and double), Morningside Aces 413, 813.
High individual score (single and double), J. Clemons 127, 226, Golden Bears.

GIRLS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE
FINAL STANDING

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Co-Eds	14	4	21
Alley Wreckers	13	5	19
Shamrocks	7	11	12
Wahconah Aces	2	16	2

GIRLS' JUNIOR LEAGUE
FINAL STANDING

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Mocking Birds	11	9	18
Blue Jays	12	8	17
Peacocks	10	8	15
Blue Birds	5	13	7

Pin Opening Is Postponed

Park Department Children's League To Start Oct. 24

The opening of the Park Department's new children's bowling league has been postponed a week, it was announced today. Play was originally slated to begin tomorrow morning. It will now start Saturday morning, Oct. 24.

Only 50 youngsters have registered, and it is hoped to increase the registration next week. Bowling alleys where the different teams will roll will be open from 10 to 12 tomorrow morning for registration.

Midget boys can register at Lou's Alleys, midget girls at Sport Haven Alleys, junior boys at the Eagle Alleys, junior, intermediate and senior girls at Pastime Alleys, intermediate boys at Jefferson Alleys, and senior boys at Pastime Alleys.

Registration Increases in Bowling Loop

A total of 115 boys and girls have registered for the new children's bowling leagues which open Saturday morning at city alleys, the Park Department announced today.

Registration in girls' junior, intermediate and senior divisions is not yet large enough to start competition, but there are plenty of youngsters signed up in the other age groups.

The Park Department bowling season will run 10 weeks for six-team leagues, and 12 weeks for four-team leagues.

Children's Pin Leagues To Be Formed

Park Department Bowling Schedule Starts Oct. 17

The Park Department announced plans today for organizing eight bowling leagues for children this season. Boy and girls in four age groups will compete. The age brackets will be: Midgets, 10-12; juniors, 13-14; intermediates, 14-15, and seniors, 16 and over.

The leagues will roll on different alleys in the city. Alley owners are making facilities available to the Park Department, and will help in a supervisory capacity. Smoking will be prohibited and pinball machines will be disconnected during play. Children will roll two strings a week and will be charged 20 cents a string.

Midget boys will roll at Lou's Alleys, midget girls at Sport Haven Alleys, junior boys at the Eagles Alleys, junior, intermediate and senior girls at Pastime Alleys, intermediate boys at Jefferson Alleys, and senior boys at Pastime Alleys.

The season opens Saturday, Oct. 17, and will run 12 weeks for four-team leagues and 10 weeks for six-team leagues. All leagues will roll Saturday mornings between 9:30 and noon.

Children may register during the week of Oct. 12 at the alleys at which their respective leagues are scheduled to roll.

Parks, Recreation Boys' and Girls' Bowling Leagues

BOYS' MIDGET LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Scorpions	3	1	4
Pirates	2	2	4
Wildcats	2	2	3
Mighty Mites	2	2	3
Jets	2	2	3
Tigers	1	3	1

High team score: (B. & D.) Pirates 384, 731.

High individual score: (S. & D.) Bob Hosier 89, 156, Pirates.

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Tyler Aces	4	0	5
Pinboy Aces	3	1	4
Pin Pushers	2	2	4
Wizzards	1	3	2
Five Aces	1	3	1
Morningside Aces	1	3	1

High team score: (S. & D.) Tyler Aces, 408, 811.

High individual score: (Single) Lou Pia 101, Wizzards. (Double) Bud Pillerin 188, Tyler Aces.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Diamonds	3	0	5
Mix Ups	2	2	3
Jeff (5)	2	2	3
Rinky Dinks	2	2	2
Tigers	1	2	2
Owl's Club	1	3	1

High team score: (Single) Mix Ups 318. (Double) Tigers 629.

High individual score: (Single) Jerry Vuillemot 95, Rinky Dinks. (Double) Dave Wilson 164, Owl's Club.

GIRLS' MIDGET LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Orecles	2	0	3
Wrens	2	0	3
Canaries	0	2	0
Sparrows	0	2	0

High team score: (S. & D.) Orioles 331, 642.

High individual score: (S. & D) Pat Benoit 93, 177, Orioles.

Parks, Recreation Boys' and Girls' Alley Leagues

BOYS' MIDGET LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Mighty Mites	4	2	6
Jets	4	2	6
Pirates	3	3	5
Wildcats	3	3	5
Scorpions	3	3	4
Tigers	1	5	1

High team score: (S. & D.), Wildcats 386, 706. High individual score: (S. & D.), Dave Cox 89, 168, Pirates.

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Roughhouse (5)	6	0	9
Pinboy Aces	3	3	4
Pin Pushers	2	4	4
Wizzards	2	4	4
Morningside Aces	3	3	4
Five Aces	2	4	2

High team score: (S. & D.), Morningside Aces 419, 825. High individual score: (S. & D.), Lou Pia 92, 185, Wizzards.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Mix-Ups	4	2	6
Jeff (5)	4	2	6
Diamonds	3	2	5
Rinky Dinks	3	3	3
Owl's Club	2	4	3
Tigers	1	5	2

High team score: (S & D.) Mix-Ups 350, 700. High individual score: (S. & D.), Ed Wick 105, 195, Mix-Ups.

GIRLS' MIDGET LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Wrens	3	1	5
Orioles	3	1	4
Sparrows	1	3	2
Canaries	1	3	1

High team score: (S.& D.), Wrens 301, 595. High individual score: (S. & D.) Sally Shea, 99, 171, Canaries.

MIDGET BOWLERS receive some first-hand instruction from Tom Farley during the opening session of the Park Department's new children's league. The group is part of the midget league that rolls every week at Lou's Alleys. Some 120 Pittsfield youngsters compete on five alleys each Saturday.

Park & Recreation Boys' and Girls' Bowling League

BOYS' MIDGET LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Mighty Mites	6	2	9
Wildcats	5	3	8
Pirates	4	4	7
Jets	4	4	7
Scorpions	3	5	4
Tigers	2	6	2

High team score: (S. & D.), Mighty Mites 391, 769.

High individual scores: (S. & D.), Bruce Ochiano 94, 173, Pirates.

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Roughhouse Five	6	2	10
Morningside Aces	5	3	7
Pinboy Aces	4	4	6
Wizzards	3	5	6
Pin Pushers	3	5	5
Fice Aces	2	6	2

High team score: (Single), Wizzards 408. (Double), Pinboy Aces 764.

High individual score: (Single), George Lunt 94, Wizzards. (Double), Dave Robare 168, Roughhouse Five.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Jeff Five	6	2	9
Rinkydinks	5	3	6
Mix-Ups	4	4	6
Diamonds	3	4	5
Tigers	3	4	5
Owl's Club	2	6	3

High team score: (S. & D.), Jeff Five 331, 666.

High individual score: (S. & D.), Tom Lefebvre 92, 182, Rinkydinks.

GIRLS' MIDGET LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Orioles	5	1	6
Wrens	4	2	6
Canaries	2	4	3
Sparrows	1	5	2

High team score: (S. & D.), Orioles 631, 643.

High individual score: (Single), Barbara Daury 95, Wrens. (Double), Pat Benoit 172, Orioles.

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BOYS' MNDGET LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Might Mites	8	2	12
Jets	5	5	8
Pirates	5	5	8
Wildcats	5	5	8
Tigers	4	6	5
Scorpions	3	7	4

High team score: (S. & D.), Jets 394, 745.

High individual score: (S. & D.), Bruce Ochiano 86, 165, Pirates.

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Roughhouse (5)	6	5	10
Wizzards	5	5	9
Morningside Aces	6	4	8
Pinboy Aces	5	5	8
Pin Pushers	5	5	8
Five Aces	4	6	2

High team score: (S. & D.), Pinboy Aces 456, 826.

High individual score: (S. & D.), Lou Pia, 96, 186, Wizzards.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Jeff (5)	7	3	10
Mix-Ups	5	5	8
Tigers	5	4	8
Diamonds	4	5	7
Rinky Dinks	5	5	6
Owl's Club	3	7	4

High team score: (S. & D.), Mix-Ups 347, 664.

High individual score: (S. & D|), Jim Hinckley 101, 195, Mix-Ups.

GIRLS' MIDGET

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Wrens	6	2	9
Orioles	6	2	7
Canaries	3	5	5
Sparrows	1	7	2

High team score: (S. & D.), Canaries 324, 605.

High individual score: (S. & D.), Clara May Bercury 92, 165, Orioles.

Parks, Recreation Boys' and Girls' Bowling Leagues

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BOYS' MIDGET LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Pirates	1	1	2
Jets	1	1	2
Mighty Mites	1	1	2
Tigers	1	1	1
Scorpions	1	1	1
Wildcats	1	1	1

High team score: (S. & D.), Pirates 400, 742.
High individual score: (S. & D.), Bruce Ochiano 92, 183, Pirates

BOYS' JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Pinboy Aces	2	0	3
Morningside Aces	2	0	3
Roughhouse (5)	2	0	3
Pin Pushers	0	2	0
Wizzards	0	2	0
Five Aces	0	2	0

High team score: (Single), Pinboy Aces 409. (Double), Morningside Aces 798.
High individual score: (S. & D.), George Lunt 100, 179, Wizzards.

BOYS' INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Mix-Ups	2	0	3
Rinky Dinks	2	0	3
Diamonds	2	0	3
Jeff (5)	0	2	0
Tigers	0	2	0
Owl's Club	0	2	0

High team score: (S. & D.), Rinky Dinks 332, 685.
High individual score: (Single), Pulaski 102. (Double), Handy 178.

GIRLS' MIDGET LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pts.
Orioles	8	2	10
Wrens	6	4	5
Canaries	3	7	5
Sparrows	3	7	5

High team score: (S. & D.), Orioles 322, 624.
High individual score: (Single), Cherrie Goyette 92, Sparrows. (Double), Anne Brassard 161, Orioles.

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Parks, Recreation Boys' and Girls' Bowling Leagues

BOYS MIDGET LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Mighty Mites	5	1	8
Wildcats	4	2	6
Jets	2	4	4
Tigers	3	3	4
Scorpions	3	3	3
Pirates	1	5	2

High team score: (S&D) Mighty Mites, 383, 757. High individual score: (S&D) Lou DiMassimo, 93, 177—Mighty Mites.

BOYS JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Pinboy Aces	6	0	9
Morningside Aces	6	0	9
Wizzards	4	2	6
Roughhouse (5)	2	4	3
Pin Pushers	0	6	0
Five Aces	0	6	0

High team score: (S&D) Pinboy Aces, 418, 806. High individual score: (S&D) Dick Shantz, 111, 199—Pinboy Aces.

BOYS INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Rinkydinks	6	0	9
Mix-Ups	4	2	6
Tigers	3	3	4
Diamonds	2	4	3
Owl's Club	2	4	3
Jeff (5)	1	5	2

High team score: (S&D) Hinky Dinks, 360, 693. High individual score: (S&D) G. Griffin 112, 204—Rinkydinks.

GIRLS MIDGET LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Canaries	1	1	2
Wrens	1	1	2
Orioles	1	1	1
Sparrows	1	1	1

High team score: (S&D) Canaries, 328, 620. High individual score: (Single) J. Wigglesworth 92, Canaries. (Double) C. Merriam 165, Orioles; P. Benoit 165, Orioles.

Envoy Najimy To Be Feted 5-29 At Dinner June 17

Pittsfield's ambassador to Spain, Norman C. Najimy, will be honored at a dinner by the community on the evening of June 17 at the Hotel Sheraton, according to plans initiated yesterday afternoon in the Chamber of Commerce rooms by a group of citizens. Edward B. Karam is chairman of the arrangements committee, which will be enlarged to include representatives of the clubs and societies contributing to the fund that will finance the trip.

All Pittsfield residents interested in participating in the send-off, which will include an appropriate program, are invited to attend. Details will be announced within a few days.

Najimy Describes Proposed Trip to Spain in Summer

6-3-53

LEE — Norman C. Najimy, Pittsfield's community ambassador, will sail for Spain June 24 from Montraea aboard a ship of the Holland American Lines and is due to return Sept. 7, he announced here last night.

Speaking before the annual meeting of the Lee branch of the American Red Cross, Najimy disclosed that while representing Pittsfield in Spain he will live for four weeks with a family in Madrid and spend the remaining time traveling about the country.

The entire cost of the trip, he said, is $800 to the Pittsfield sponsors of the Community ambassador project. The project is sponsored by about 60 to 70 other cities across the nation. Schenectady, N.Y., has sponsored 12 such trips since 1946, Najimy stated.

He told his audience that his purpose in Spain will be to "show them we're not just a Marshall Plan country with a pocket full of money.

"I will try and impress on them the kind of people we really are," he emphasized.

Weekly News Letter

On the other hand, Najimy continued, he will send home a weekly news letter to be published in The Berkshire Evening Eagle to try and tell the people of Pittsfield what kind of people the Spanish are. He added that when he returns to the Berkshires he plans to continue the project by giving several talks before groups up and down the county.

Najimy's talk last night followed a dinner and the annual business meeting and election of officers of the Lee Red Cross branch. The meeting was held in the parlors of the Congregational Church.

'AMBASSADOR' IN LEE: Norman C. Najimy, Pittsfield's community ambassador, addresses members of the Lee Red Cross branch at the annual meeting in the Lee Congregational Church parlors last night.

Envoy Najimy Is Deferred From Draft

6-9-53

Spanish Teacher To Be Speaker At Send-Off Dinner

Claudio Guillen of Wellesley will be the speaker for the send-off dinner of Pittsfied's community ambassador, Norman C. Najimy, who today received a draft deferment until February, 1954. The dinner at the Sheraton Hotel Wednesday evening, June 17, at 6.30, will be open to the public.

Henry Bonnet, chairman of the community ambassador project, stated that the requirement has been waived that an envoy remain in the community for at least a year after his return from his assignment to a foreign country, which in this case is Spain. The year period normally is required so that there will be ample opportunity for speaking to sponsoring organizations on the envoy's experiences. Mr. Bonnet said that Mr. Najimy will arrange to cover al assignments within the shorter time, though it will mean a heavy schedule. He said that the deferment was obtained not on the basis of the ambassadorship, but on Mr. Najimy's occupation as a teacher. He is registered with the Worcester board.

Guillen, Native of Spain

Mr. Guillen, who will receive a Ph. D. degree Thursday from Harvard University, is a native of Spain. He is a son of Professor Jorge Guillen, Spanish poet who teaches Spanish literature at Wellesley College. A graduate of Williams College, he served in the French Army three years and taught at the University of Cologne, Germany, for two.

In the past few years he has been several times in Spain, from which he came to the United States in 1940.

The fund for financing the trip is now at $722 of the $800 needed. Additional contributors are: Mercer Parent-Teacher Association, Chamber of Commerce, First Methodist Sunday school, Bishop Memorial Nursing School Alumnae Association and WBRK. Contributions should be sent to Mrs. O. P. McCarty, treasurer, 135 South Mountain Road.

Tickets for the dinner are on sale at the Chamber of Commerce and Wowk Jewelers.

$173 Needed 5-25 To Reach Goal Of Envoy Fund

Twenty-five organizations and one individual have contributed the $627 paid or pledged to the sending of a community ambassador to Spain this summer. Meeting last evening in the Park Department office, the central committee announced $173 needed to bring the fund to the $800 originally estimated, including $745 for transportation from Montreal to Europe and back to Quebec. The group will leave the first Canadian port June 24 and return to the second Sept. 7.

Norman C. Najimy, Tucker School teacher selected as the envoy, will be interviewed Friday at 4.30 over WBRK and Monday at 3.30 over WBEC. Requests for talks on his return have already been received. Priority will be given to organizations contributing to the fund to finance his trip, but dates will be given other societies as time permits. He will illustrate his talk with colored pictures. Organizations wishing to include in their programs a talk on his experiences in Spain are asked to call Henry Bonnet at the Park Department office, where the speaking schedule will be kept.

Clubs and societies who have contributed to the ambassador fund are: Allendale, Redfield, Tucker, Abby Lodge and Hibbard Parent-Teacher Associations and the PTA Council, Miss Hall's School, The Eagle, the College Club, the Junior League, the Young Adults Group of the Park Department, the Turnverein, the First Methodist Church Woman's Society for Christian Service, the American Legion Auxiliary, Y's Men's Club, Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs, League of Women Voters, Temple Sisterhood, Unitarian Sunday school, Caroline Adam Society of the First Congregational Church, Italian-American Club, Baptist Women's League, Fortnightly Club and B'nai B'rith.

More Than 100 To Attend Dinner For Najimy

More than 100 persons have reserved places for the send-off dinner at 6.30 tomorrow evening at the Hotel Sheraton in honor of Norman C. Najimy, first ambassador from a Massachusetts community. Mr. Najimy will sail June 24 for Spain from Montreal aboard the Council of Student Travel ship, M. S. Skaubryn.

The program tomorrow evening, to which the public is invited, will include an official message to the mayor of Zaragoza, where the envoy will spend July, from Mayor Robert T. Capeless, and a talk on living in Spain by Dr. Claudio Guillen of Wellesley, recently appointed to the facutly of Princeton University. Edward B. Karam, dinner chairman, will be master of ceremonies. A gift will be presented to Mr. Najimy.

Additional contributions to the transportation fund have brought it to $797 of the $800 requested. Recent donors are Mazzini Lodge, Sons of Italy; Columbia Lodge, Sons of Italy Auxiliary; Syrian-Lebanese Women's Auxiliary, and Daughters of Lebanon.

Dinner reservations may be made at Wowk Jewelers or tickets may be purchased at the door.

Community Envoy Najimy Is Honored

Norman C. Najimy receives from Henry Bonnet equipment for summer in Spain as city's first ambassador. Principals in last night's send-off dinner at Sheraton Hotel: left to right, Edward B. Karam, chairman; Mr. Bonnet, project chairman; Dr. Claudio Guillen, speaker; Mr. Najimy; Mayor Capeless. Camera is loaned by committee for pictures to illustrate reports before local organizations next fall.

'Ambassador' To Spain Given Dinner, Gifts

Norman C. Najimy, first ambassador from a Massachusetts community to another country, was honored at a bon voyage dinner party last evening at the Sheraton Hotel. The Tucker School teacher will go to Montreal, Canada, Monday, and leave Wednesday by ship to spend the summer as a good will envoy from Pittsfield to the Spanish people.

Thanking the people of Pittsfield who worked to bring about the ambassadorship, Mayor Robert T. Capeless read a letter to be delivered by Mr. Najimy to the mayor of Zaragoza, the city of 120,000 where he will live for a month with a Spanish family under the Experiment for International Living, sponsor of the ambassador project. The mayor described the purpose of the ambassador as "to promote better understanding between your great country and ours" and said, "To bring back an accurate picture of the Spanish people, as seen in their every-day lives, cannot fail to develop a happy relationship between us."

Stating that from his observation of Mr. Najimy in his work with the Department of Parks and Recreation and as a teacher he had formed a high opinion of him as a man, the mayor said that he was confident that as ambassador he would interpret to the people whom he meets in Spain what democracy means, which he must have learned from his father, Charles J. Najimy, who as president of Tucker Parent-Teacher Association, had made, the mayor said, "one of the most eloquent statements of the democratic ideal that I have ever heard."

Gift From 400 Teachers

Henry Bonnet, project chairman, presented to the envoy a leather suitcase and a camera, for pictures to be shown to contributing organizations and others on his return. The camera will be returned for use of future ambassadors. A cash gift from the 400 Pittsfield teachers was presented by Miss Anna L. Murphy, recently retired Tucker School principal.

Acknowledging the gifts and his appointment, Mr. Najimy said that he realized his sacred trust, and will try to do his job so well that the city will wish to send several ambassadors next year. He said that he will try to show the people of Spain that Americans are eage to understa d them and to be friends.

Dr. Claudio Guillen of Wellesley, appointee to the Spanish faculty of Princeton University, compared the way of life in the United States with that of Spain, which he described as an "anti-schedule country." Spanish people harmonize their professional and social life by pausing during the day to talk in the streets and closing business operations from 12.30 to 4. In Spain, he said, "the individual broadens and blossoms by means of his social life. The squares are filled with sociable people, and not traffic jams."

Youth Exchange Lauded

One of the main steps toward breaking down international misunderstanding, inherited provincialism and hate, the speaker said, is the exchange of youth through such means as scholarships. "America should be the leader," he concluded, "for there is no country where hate is less substantial and co-operation and brotherhood more real."

Mrs. John C. Russ, finance chairman, announced $886 contributed toward the project, with $800 sought. Among the 45 organizations contributing are the Emblem Club, Daughters of St. Stephen's, the Syrian and Lebanese-American Auxiliary, and the executive board of the Women's Club. The three individual donors were Miss Elizabeth B. Bliss, Rev. Charles L. Foley and Alexander G. Marsten.

Edward B. Karam, dinner chairman, presided. The invocation was delivered by Rev. John Francis Egan of St. Mary's Church.

Community Envoy Arrives in France

Norman C. Najimy, Pittsfield's first community ambassador, has arrived in Le Havre, France, and is proceeding to Zaragoza, Spain, for the summer, according to Henry Bonnett, chairman of the community ambassador project.

Mr. Bonnett this morning received a cablegram from the leader of the group of which Mr. Najimy is a member. The telegram was forwarded from Putney, Vt., headquarters of the ambassador project.

Mr. Najimy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Najimy of 98 Circular Avenue, sailed June 24 from Montreal, Canada. He is the first ambassador from a Massachusetts community to another country.

Bon Voyage

Berkshire Ambassador Sails for Post

By Norman C. Najimy

This is the first dispatch from Norman Najimy who will spend the summer in Spain, as Pittsfield's first community ambassador in the Experiment for International Living. Mr. Najimy now is en route to Zaragoza, a city of 250,000 in northwest Spain. There he will live with a Spanish family for the summer. Mr. Najimy, a 1951 graduate of Worcester State Teachers College, is a grade school teacher.

NEITHER language nor nationalism are barriers to friendship aboard the M.S. Skaubryn en route to Le Havre. As a matter of fact, they have proved assets. By the end of the first day aboard, I learned that the words "please" and "thank you" are understood in any language. It took only little more time to realize that "hello" and "good morning" are also recognized in any tongue. It is common in every quarter of the boat to hear several languages being spoken as the passengers are from every part of the world: America, Europe, Asia, Africa, and even from the Philippines.

Among the 800 passengers aboard this ship of Norwegian registry are about 80 "Experimenters" in international living. Others are traveling with various international organizations, and some are traveling independently. Most people are going, as I am, to learn more about the people of another country; but many are returning home after a visit in America. Most of the latter have favorable impressions of the United States. A few could not keep up with the pace of life. I am pleased to report that most of the people I have met have heard of Pittsfield, either through the General Electric, Eaton Paper, or because of the music at Tanglewood.

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OUR FIRST TWO days aboard the Skaubryn were as cheerful as the bright weather. Out on the sun deck, I met with my group which is routed to Zaragoza in Spain. We practiced Spanish on each other and discussed our plans for the summer. The leader of our group is Ilene Avery, professor of Spanish at Bates College. The other members are from Somerville, N.J.; Chevy Chase, Md.; Evansville, Ind.; Niagara Falls, N.Y.; Cleveland, Ohio; Stillwater, Okla.; El Paso, Texas; and Twin Lakes, Pa. Only one of them, besides myself, is a "community ambassador," although more than 60 communities in the United States are sending students to represent them in foreign countries this year. Also, for the first time, this year's "Experiment" will work in reverse, as Americans entertain foreign students who will live in the U.S.

The fog of the next several days forced us indoors, where we continued to brush up on our Spanish conversation. Later we sang, attended discussions, viewed slides on Europe, or made more new friends. The singing sprees included songs of just about every nation represented on board.

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OUR EVENINGS usually wound up by attendance at a first-class movie, a dance, or talent show. In one typical show, Father Scanlon, chaplain for the voyage, led group singing; Rabbi Goldberger, on his way to Europe to sing in a music festival, inspired his listeners with his beautiful baritone chanting; and a native West African played rhythmic music of his native land.

Life on our boat has been a real example of how peoples of the world can live together—harmoniously, enjoying one another's contributions.

Brave Ambassador

7/20/53

Festival---Spanish Style

By Norman C. Najimy

The following is another in the series of dispatches from Norman Najimy who is spending the summer in Spain as Pittsfield's first community ambassador in the Experiment for International Living.

PAMPLONA, Spain.

WE HAD NO sooner unpacked our bags in Zaragoza—our headquarters during our sojourn in Spain—than it was time to set out again, this time for Pamplona, to witness the Fiesta of San Fermin. San Fermin was the first archbishop of Pamplona, a small city about 100 miles northwest of Zaragoza, which our group of "Experimenters" and ten of our Spanish friends reached early Sunday morning after a four-hour journey. The six-day celebration is launched each July 7 with a procession in which the saint's image is carried from its pedestal through the streets of the city.

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WE ARRIVED JUST in time to see the running of the bulls, which starts the celebration each day. All the *chicos* (young men) who want to display their bravery, race through the streets, pursued—at a safe distance—by six enraged bulls. The race ends at the *Estadium de Toros* (bullfight stadium), where the bulls are herded into a pen. Then the bulls are loosed, one by one, to charge at the daring *chicos,* who pull the bulls' tails, wave their brightly colored hats and shirts, jeer, snarl and clap to further enrage the bulls. The bulls seem to enjoy the game as much as their tormentors and the screaming crowd of spectators. Many *chicos* were knocked over; a few enjoyed free rides between the horns of the bulls, but none was seriously injured. The bulls' horns are padded.

After this entertainment, the crowd spilled out into the streets to continue their merrymaking in the bars and sidewalk cafes. Everywhere people were singing and dancing, talking and laughing, eating and drinking. In every block, vendors hawked their balloons, dolls, whistles and other trinkets, just as in Pittsfield on Fourth of July or circus days. Small parades of bands or giant Mardi gras characters added to the fun and excitement.

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THE CLIMAX of the day's celebration came about 5 PM with the bullfights, the national sport of Spain. We crowded into the *Estadium de Toros* once again where the fights were launched with a grand march of all the participants. The cheers of the spectators made the air tremble when the first *torero* and his assistants stepped onto the field. The helpers include the *picadores,* who are mounted on padded horses and who must pick the bull's neck muscles so as to make him keep his head down; the *banderilleros,* who pierce colorful sticks of *banderillas* into the bull's neck; and the *peones,* who assist the *torero* in tiring the bull.

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AFTER EACH of these players has finished his part of the game, the *torero* must play the bull into position to pierce his *estoque,* or sword, into the correct spot in the bull's neck, so that it will go directly into the bull's heart. Then a team of giant, brightly decorated horses prance upon the field to drag the bull away.

The sport is truly an art. The *torero* is not supposed to take foolish chances nor make the bull suffer more than necessary; otherwise he is not a good *torero.* When he does an exceptionally good job, he is awarded the bull's ear.

To the Spanish, bullfighting is both an art form and a national sport. Ernest Hemingway's book, "The Sun Also Rises," which gives a classic account of the sport, is popular in Spain under the title, *"Fiesta."*

Letters

Life in Spain

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

Some 17 years ago Francisco Franco, on behalf of the wealthiest and most reactionary elements of Spain, launched the bloody Spanish civil war. Franco's destruction of the democratically elected government was only the first step in his program which was simply the suppression of the toilers in farm or factory and the unrestricted domination of the wealthy landowners and employers. Judging by the results attained, we may safely assume that the Butcher Franco's program has been highly successful. Nowhere in Europe is illiteracy so high or standards of education so low, wages so pitifully meager, undernourishment (slow starvation) so prevalent and disease so rampant. Yet no European prince of privilege is as licentiously content as is the Spanish don.

During and for a decade following the Spanish civil war, the vast majority of Americans and our allies knew Franco for what he was and accordingly labeled him "butcher" and "Fascist." But as the international scene changed, bringing forth such directors of our foreign policy as Senators McCarthy and McCarran, the most articulate of our people deemed it wiser to refrain from condemning Franco. Some today have gone further than this, indirectly exalting the Spanish government by praising and loudly admiring the gentility, culture, and easy life of the thin upper crust which floats in a sea of misery which they apparently cannot see. This is mental prostitution.

Our own local "ambassador" to Spain, Norman C. Najimy, may not be of the above mental caliber, but his dispatches to date qualify him as a likely candidate. But perhaps, because of his youth and inexperience he may be unduly impressed by the well-staged hospitality to which he is being subjected. Now let's see. He is being lionized by the leading citizens of Zaragoza with the leading banker's home (who arranged that?) as headquarters. Five course meals are the order of the day (Hear ye, oh peasants!). Wine flows in unlimited q[illegible] attends the inevitable [illegible] and in the evening, to qu[illegible]m, "at a nearby country home . . . climax of the evening's entertainment . . . guitarists, singers and dancers, dressed in colorful native costumes . . . For many years I shall not forget it." So we learn via our "ambassador" of Spanish life—*a la* Hollywood. This is a result of the "Experiment for International Living."

What a pity that our Mr. Najimy does not share for awhile the life of a peasant or worker (who, he mentions in passing, earns 50 to 85 cents per day) in his humble hovel. Were he to share such a man's work, his food, his misery and his few pleasures, our ambassador would then be better qualified to inform us of how the Spaniards live today.

CARL J. CHIARETTO.

Pittsfield.

Correspondence on this column on topics of public interest is welcome. Short letters are preferred. Communications, particularly if over 200 words, are subject to condensation. Letters must bear a genuine signature.

Quotes

All political questions are ultimately theological. — *Hilaire Belloc, British literary figure, recently deceased.*

I've always been interested in people, but I've never liked them.—*Somerset Maugham, British novelist.*

On to Madrid

8-5-53

Spain at Work and Play

By Norman C. Najimy

Mr. Najimy reports again from Spain where he is spending the summer as Pittsfield's first community ambassador in the Experiment for International Living.

ZARAGOZA.

OUR LAST WEEK in Zaragoza has been a busy one.

At the invitation of one of my *amigos* who is a doctor, I witnessed an operation to remove four ribs and collapse part of one lung. The patient was conscious and calm throughout the one and one-half hour ordeal, and when it was over he felt better than I did. The hospital cares for those who cannot afford other medical care. It is old and lacks many modern furnishings but will be replaced soon by a modern 16-story hospital.

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LATER IN the week our group visited one of Zaragoza's more modern factories. Though it is clean, bright and comparatively new, the machinery would be last in a race with U.S. mass production equipment. It lacks a great deal in safety precautions. The workers earn anywhere from 14 to 30 pesetas a day. There are 39 pesetas to one American dollar! Though the cost of living is low for American visitors, it is high for the Spanish residents.

Our Spanish friends seem to be trying to outdo one another in entertaining us during our last few days here. At one party at a nearby country home a *torero* demonstrated the art of bullfighting and some of us took our turns at trying it—with an imaginary bull. But the climax of the evening's entertainment was provided by a group of guitarists, singers and dancers, dressed in colorful native costumes. We all gathered in a large circle and the singers crooned the melancholy strains of Andalucia (southern Spain) and of the Aragon (the region about Zaragoza in northeastern Spain), accompanied by the soft strains of the guitars. The dancers danced the gay *jota,* the native heel-and-toe *baile* of Aragon. For nearly two hours the gaiety and color warmed us. For many years I shall not forget it.

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In the four weeks we have been here, we have made some wonderful friends. It is not an easy *adios* for any of our group.

During the month of August, we shall be traveling through southern and eastern Spain. Our first stop will be Madrid. The second half of our Experiment is about to begin.

Life With Franco

9-8-53

A Taste of Dictatorship

By Norman C. Najimy

The following article, the last of a series, was written after Mr. Najimy's return from a two-month tour of Spain as Pittsfield's first community ambassador in the Experiment for International Living.

WHAT IS IT like to live under a dictatorship?

At first, I noted little difference; people seemed to go about their work and play under no strain.

After living in Spain a short while, however, I felt the loss of the rights and privileges we take for granted in our democracy. Censorship is big business there. Any packages or large envelopes received through postal service undergo inspection. A small package and two envelopes that I received were opened and completely inspected before being delivered. Foreign magazines and newspapers —including American ones—are sold at the newsstands, but any issues unfavorable to the regime are banned. When I visited a newspaper plant, I asked the director to what extent the press is controlled by the censors. He told me there was a minimum of censorship of the press. I later found out that all newspaper directors are government-appointed!

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THERE IS only one newsreel producer in Spain. While such news as the Berlin riots, the Texas drought, and the latest fashions are shown, the major feature is Generalissimo Francisco Franco attending a *fiesta* or reviewing a new government project. The most widespread advertisements in Spain are the *Vive Franco!* signs.

Higher education is completely government controlled. Except for the Berlitz School of Languages, there is no such thing as a private university in Spain. Through a tuition of $12 a year, a room and board fee of about 60 cents a day, and scholarship aid, the universities are made available to the common people. In the classes, according to many university students with whom I spoke, no discussion of social or political matters is allowed. One requirement for every student is that he become a registered member of the Falange-sponsored university club. Most of the students join in order to obtain a university education; but they take no active part in the club. Other extra-curricular organizations are musical, literary, or dramatic—not political.

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THE ONLY ADULT organizations are those that are government approved. No group may assemble without a government permit. Consequently, such service clubs as are part of our community are unknown in Spain.

There is private enterprise in the fields of construction, manufacturing and merchandising. The people have the freedom to work wherever they can find employment. The workers' union is merely a government propaganda front—so far as I could discover.

The political situation is a delicate topic in Spain. The people of all classes are split in opinion. While some denounce the dictatorship, others uphold it. The Spaniards do not talk of rebellion or revolt. The memories of the bloodshed and horror of the civil war are too deep and vivid in their minds. Nor do they talk of turning to communism. The Communist atrocities during the civil war were as bad as the Fascist atrocities. Anti-Communist propaganda is strong and loud.

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WHILE THERE is discontentment, many people told me they feel that only Franco is organized enough to maintain any stability in government. The poor—of whom there are many—see new hospitals for care of their ill, electricity to light their homes and irrigation to dampen their dehydrated soil. These poor have pitifully little, but I believe they have more than they used to have.

The problems are great in Spain. In spite of this, the people—middle-class and poor—have not lost sight of their cultural heritage and their customs. They commonly practice their habits of music, crafts, and hospitality.

Once I remarked to a companion of mine as we were touring Andalucia that I was getting hungry. A poorly clad man whom I had never seen before drew a sandwich from his pocket and offered it to me!

As people to people, the Spanish are our friends.

College Club To Hear Najimy

10-12-53

Norman C. Najimy, Pittsfield's first community ambassador in an experiment in international living, will speak on his recent trip to Spain at a meeting of the Pittsfield College Club at 8:15 Wednesday evening at the Women's Club. His talk, "Living With the Past and Hoping for the Future," will be illustrated with slides, recordings and crafts.

Miss Mary Curtin of Lenox, a program committee member, is in charge of arrangements for the meeting. Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Murray L. Riggs, social chairman, assisted by Mrs. Thomas R. Harrison of Dalton, Miss Iris M. Cooper and Mrs. Ernest W. Fox.

A short business meeting will precede Mr. Najimy's talk.

Najimy To Address Fortnightly Club

10-16

Norman C. Najimy, good-will ambassador to Spain, will speak on "Spain, Land of Contrast" at the Fortnightly Club meeting Monday afternoon at the South Congregational Church parish house, Mrs. Irving H. Gamwell, chairman, announced today.

The meeting this week is being held at 3 p.m. instead of 2:30 p.m., the usual time. Club members and friends are invited.

Feb. 11.

11-24

70 Hear Najimy Speak At Sacred Heart Church

Norman C. Najimy, community ambassador to Spain, spoke at a joint meeting of the Rosary Sodality and Holy Name Society of Sacred Heart Church last evening in the community building. Seventy attended. John Stanton, president of the Holy Name Society, introduced the speaker.

At the business meeting preceding the talk, volunteers were requested to help sort and pack clothing donated for the annual Thanksgiving clothing drive, sponsored by the Catholic Bishops of America for the needy throughout the world.

3-3-54

Civil Service Preference Upheld For Veterans

BOSTON—The preference given to veterans in state civil service examinations has been held constitutional in a decision of the full bench of the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts.

The court dismissed four suits brought by four nonveterans who contended that "practically all chance of promotion is denied them" because of the civil service rule giving two points additional credit to all veterans passing examinations.

The suits were brought against the state civil service commission by junior officers of Boston area police and fire departments. They contended that were it not for the extra mark given veterans they would probably have been promoted to captaincy on the examinations they took in 1949.

'Obstacle' Noted

The decision written by Chief Justice Stanley E. Qua says, "We cannot fully accept this assertion. If nonveterans attain sufficiently high marks they will stand ahead of veterans and be certified for promotion. It is clear, however, that Rule 21 is a substantial and permanent obstacle to the promotion of nonveterans and that in come circumstances, especially at the present time when available veterans are comparatively numerous, it may be a serious obstacle."

The court said it is well established that any absolute preference requiring appointment of veterans without regard to fitness is unconstitutional, but there is nothing unconstitutional in granting preference in employment to veterans who first qualify by passing an examination.

The court upheld as reasonable the practice of adding the two points for veterans' preference to the first digit to the left of the decimal point in the marks given on civil service examinations. The court said the difference between granting preference to veterans on original examinations for appointment and giving preference on examinations for promotion "is one of degree rather than of principle."

Exams Listed For City Jobs

10-16

Civil service examinations for two vacancies in two municipal departments of Pittsfield have been announced by the state Civil Service Department for Dec. 12. Applications must be filed by Monday, Nov. 23.

One vacancy is for clinic dentist in the Department of Public Health, a $3,000 job which is now held on a temporary basis by Dr. John R. Quinn.

The other exam is for park policemen in the Department of Parks and Recreation. There are 15 vacancies for males to be filled on a permanent part-time basis. The job pays $1 an hour.

Three Qualify For Welfare Job

2/22/54

The state Civil Service Department has certified for appointment as junior clerk and typist in the Pittsfield Department of Public Welfare ($2,280 a year) Mrs. Steven R. Symanski of 103 Appleton Ave., Miss Eleanor M. McGovern of 132 Brown St. and Miss Mae E. Morrissey of 8 Clifford St.

There will be a vacancy in that position in the department early in April when Miss Joyce Wood leaves to get married.

12 Women Eligible For Jr. Clerk-Typist Jobs

Twelve Pittsfield women yesterday were made eligible by the state Civil Service Department for appointment as junior clerk-typist in the public service. They were among 2,568 women listed as eligibles.

They are Catherine L. Bradley of 26 Edwin St., Jane S. Bradley, 1265 West St., Anna V. Donald, 20 Marshall Ave., Lillian K. Haddad, 174 First St., Monica Haskins, 72 Emerson Ave., Carolyn R. Keefe, 44 Reuter Ave., Elizabeth A. Melanson, 85 Bradford St., Doris H. Mottor, 12 Chester St., Teresa I. Musacchio, 25 Parker St., Martha J. Wilson, 325 Williams St., Frances E. Pierce, 54 King St., and Martha A. Uhlig, 248 Pomeroy Ave. 2/10/54

2-1-54

Three Eligible For Police Clerkship

All three men who took a recent examination for senior clerk in the Pittsfield Police Department passed the exam, the Civil Service Commission announced today.

The successful candidates were, in alphabetical order, Roger T. Earle of 111 Bartlett Ave., Douglas W. Ringey of 44 Pomeroy Ave. and Eugene J. Zwingelstein of 60 Wahconah St.

Mr. Zwingelstein holds the clerk's post at the present time in the traffic bureau.

Special to THE EAGLE

BOSTON—The Civil Service Department reports that all three women who in early May took a civil service test for senior clerk and stenographer in the Pittsfield Department of Parks and Recreation flunked.

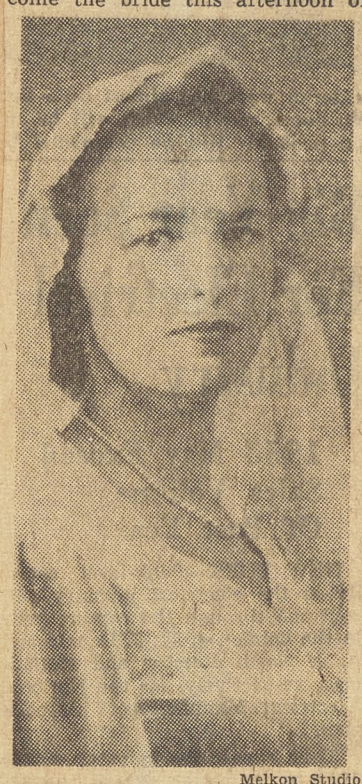
There is, therefore, no eligible list for appointment. 7/21/53

1-3-53

Ann MacVicar, C. R. Jordan To Marry at 4

Recreation Supervisor Will Become Bride of GE Sales Employe

GRAFTON—Miss Ann MacVicar of 57 Charles Street, Pittsfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Ames MacVicar of Grafton, will become the bride this afternoon of



Melkon Studio

MISS ANN MAC VICAR, whose wedding is this afternoon.

Charles Robert Jordan of 5 Hollister Street, Pittsfield, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Renfrew Jordan of New York.

The wedding will take place at 4 in the West Evangelical Congregational Church. Rev. Stephen W. Turrell, formerly assistant minister of the First Congregational Church, Pittsfield, will perform the ceremony against an altar banked with woodwardia fern and candelabra. Other church decorations will be white snapdragons, and large white chrysanthemums. Vocal selections will be by Mrs. Richard Burt of Elizabethtown, N.Y.

Attendants Listed

Mr. MacVicar will give his daughter in marriage. She will have her sister, Miss Sara MacVicar, as maid of honor. Bridesmaids will be her cousin, Miss Gail MacVicar of Naugatuck, Conn.; Mrs. Wesley R. Jordan of Nixon, N.J.; sister-in-law of the bridegroom; Miss Sally Beauchamp of Boonton, N.J.; and Mrs. Earl Rodriguez of Leominster, the bride's college classmate. Kathryn MacVicar, another sister of the bride, will be junior bridesmaid.

Wesley R. Jordan of Nixon will be his brother's best man. Ushers will be two of the bride's cousins, Thomas L. Maker of Mount Vernon, N.Y., and L. William Maker of Westport Harbor; Gerard V. Tremblay, of Troy, N.Y., and Edward P. Deame and Herbert A. Plotz, both of Pittsfield.

The bride will be dressed in an antique ivory satin gown, beaded at neckline, skirt front and cuffs with seed pearls, fashioned with fitted bodice and full skirt with fan-shaped cathedral train. She will wear an heirloom rosepoint lace veil, which was worn by her aunt, and carry a cascade bouquet of stephanotis and variegated holly, centered with Eucharis lilies.

The honor attendant will wear a mistletoe green velvet gown. The bridesmaids' similar gowns will be of hunter green velvet; the flower girl's, of Christmas red velvet. All attendants will wear holly headbands and carry sprays of holly on ermine muffs.

Mrs. MacVicar's gown will be Lisbet purple faille taffeta with nylon chiffon overskirt; her corsage, of baby orchids. The mother of the bridegroom will wear an orchid pink Chantilly lace and georgette gown, black accessories and an orchid corsage.

Reception to Follow

After a reception in the church vestry, the couple will leave on a trip to the Laurentian Mountains, Quebec, Canada. The bride's traveling costume is to be a chocolate brown wool suit with gold and brown accessories and a corsage of Eucharis lilies. When they return Jan. 27, the couple will make their home at 5 Hollister Street, Pittsfield.

The bride is supervisor of recreation for the Pittsfield Department of Parks and Recreation. She graduated from Northfield School for Girls in 1946, and, in 1950, from the University of Massachusetts, where she was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority.

A Pittsfield High School graduate, Mr. Jordan is employed in power transformer sales at GE in Pittsfield. During the war, he served in the Army Air Force for four years, 30 months of which were spent in the South Pacific area. He is a member of Crescent Lodge of Masons.

Four Meetings At Parks Office

1-12-53

There will be four meetings at the Department of Parks and Recreation office tonight. The tennis committee will meet at 7; the skating club and Park Commission at 7.30; and the winter sports committee at 8. The young adult committee will meet at 7.30 PM at the Girls' Club.

Bride Breaks Leg

1-16-53

Mrs. Charles R. Jordan of 5 Hollister Street, the former Ann MacVicar, is confined to her home with a broken leg received skiing at Mt. Tremblant, Can. while on her honeymoon.

Mrs. Jordan, who was married Jan. 3, will return to her duties at the Parks and Recreation Department on Monday.

1-23-53

William F. Fitzgerald of 109 West Street and James Hurley of 233 Dewey Avenue will leave tomorrow for St. Petersburg, Fla., for a three-week vacation.

1-30-53

TRANSATLANTIC ARMFUL: William A. Carrigan, airman, second class, holds two of the five Parkhurst children who were passengers aboard the historic 10,000th transatlantic crossing made by the Military Air Transport Service from Westover Air Base yesterday. Carrigan, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Carrigan of 257 Peck's Road, was flight attendant aboard the C-118 Douglas transport. The plane was 2½ hours late taking off for Rhine-Main, Germany, because the pilot, Capt. Frederick L. Dunn of Bennington, Vt., discovered a faulty magneto in one of the engines as he prepared to take off. Mrs. Marvin D. Parkhurst, shown with Carrigan and her three other children, was en route to join her husband stationed in Germany. *(AP Wirephoto)*

1-13-53

Barn Project Rated No. 1 by Park Board

Springside Job Given Top Priority By Commission

A $3500 project for replacement of the foundation at Springside barn was given top priority by the Park Commission last night among expenses requested in the $21,900 capital outlay budget for 1953.

Park Department Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert said it is essential that this job be completed as soon as possible because the building is used for storage of maintenance equipment.

The commission — newly-elected Chairman William J. Carrigan, David B. Lawton and Daniel E. Martin — decided that second most important on the list was the construction of toilet facilities at Lakewood, Osceola and West Memorial playgrounds.

This job will cost $13,500 and, as Mr. Hebert explained, is part of a long-range program to build toilets and shelters at all city playgrounds.

Other Projects

Third on the priority list was a $5850 outlay for the purchase of interchangeable bleachers which can be moved from park to park as needed.

Another acute need in the park department system, the commission decided, is the purchase of three Little Baseball League chain-link fences for use next summer at Clapp, Deming and Wahconah.

The fences, according to the budget, cost $850 each.

Road Relocation Sought

Last on the list of top five priorities is a $10,000 Lakeway Drive road relocation project at Onota Lake's Burbank Park. The roadway has to be changed because it is hazardous, Mr. Hebert said.

The commission last night also tabled a request from the Tyler Aces for the use of Wahconah Park next summer. Action will be taken at the next meeting of the commission, Jan. 26, Mr. Hebert stated.

The capital outlay budget was submitted to the mayor the first of the year. It is expected to be acted upon by the capital outlay committee next month.

. . The fact that Miss Hilda Swanson, the city's new supervisor of recreation for the feminine population, comes from Amsterdam, N.Y., is a recommendation in itself. Jack Perry put in some valuable time there, too .

Clayson, Lee Appointed to Park Board

2-20-53

Eaton Paper Official, GE Supervisor Named by Mayor

Mayor Capeless today appointed George P. Clayson Jr. of 215 Dawes Avenue and Daniel R. Lee of 28 Congress Street to fill two unexpired terms on the Park Commission.

Mr. Clayson, vice-president of the Eaton Paper Corporation, will fill the vacancy created last July by the death of Michael L. Foley. Mr. Lee, supervisor of drafting for the GE power transformer engineering division, succeeds George D. Austin, who left Pittsfield last month to become manager of community relations at GE's Rome, Ga., plant.

The new appointments, which will come before the City Council for confirmation next Tuesday, bring the five-man Park Commission up to full strength for the first time in nearly a year. The other commissioners are William J. Carrigan, chairman, David B. Lawton, and Daniel E. Martin.

Yale Graduate

Mr. Clayson has been vice-president of Eaton Paper Corporation since 1949, when he stepped down from the presidency to be succeeded by Harry C. Dutton. He graduated from Yale in 1930 and joined Eaton's as sales promotion manager in 1934 after serving as assistant manager of the Agfa Ansco Corporation's New York office.

A former president of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Clayson headed the Red Cross fund drive here for several years and has been active in Community Chest Work and in the YMCA. He is married and has five children.

Lee, Former Athlete

Mr. Lee graduated from St. Joseph's High where he played football and baseball. He was a leader in establishing Little League baseball at Root Field, was players' agent last year for the East League, and helped organize the Little Bigger League on the Common.

Mr. Lee is married and has five sons. He is a member of the Optimist Club.

Mr. Lee has been supervisor of drafting for the GE power transformer engineering division since 1946. He graduated from the GE apprentice course in 1929 and went to work for the power transformer drafting section. He was named assistant supervisor of drafting for the distribution transformer section in 1941.

Mr. Lee's term on the Park Commission will expire in May of 1956. Mr. Clayson's will expire in May of this year, when he will presumably be reappointed to a full term.

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THE APPOINTMENTS of George Clayson and Dan Lee to the Park Commission are bell-ringers. Each man is widely-respected, intelligent, personable and fair-minded. Both have proven that they have high community consciousness by affiliating with many worthwhile sports ventures. And as if those qualities weren't enough to recommend them for the posts, both have five children.

George and Dan were among the little group which worked many hours to establish Little League baseball here in 1950. Each also helped in setting up the Little Bigger League last spring.

They will be able to pass judiciously upon all matters pertaining to sports, because they understand the problems of the coaches, managers and players.

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IT'S REFRESHING to see men of their ability named to such an important board as the Park Commission. These fellows won't be name-lenders. They'll be faithful and efficient.

George was regular fullback for Evanston Township (Ill.) High, and played freshman football at Yale. He was a varsity 440 and 880 track man for the Elis. In later years, he was a good volleyball player in the exercise group we had at the YMCA.

Dan played football and basketball at St. Joseph's High in the middle 1920s. He early learned the lesson of obedience in sports. Playing against Lenox High at Lenox, he got a bunt sign from Coach Pep Fasce (now Dr. Charles F. Fasce). Instead of laying it down, he doubled. Pep gave him a severe tongue-lashing, and he heeded the instructions after that.

Both commissioners naturally are interested in their sons' athletic endeavors. Young Alan Clayson, a Little League star three years ago, is an excellent hitter. He also shows promise as a back in football. Dickie Lee drew the highest price in the Little League player auction in 1950. I'll never forget this kid's high estimate of his father during a radio interview I had with him shortly before the season opened. Bob, Jerry and Jack Lee also have shown athletic promise.

Shapiro Motors Gets Park Truck Contract

4-15-53

The Park Commission last night awarded a contract for a new two-ton dump truck to Shapiro Motors Inc., 631 North Street. Shapiro's bid of $1960 plus the turn-in value of an old truck was the lowest of five submitted.

At its monthly meeting, the commission also granted Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert permission to rehire without further interviews persons who did outstanding work at parks and playgrounds last summer.

It was disclosed that the city playground staff for the 1953 season will be announced May 1. Mr. Hebert reported that poor weather has delayed preparations for getting playgrounds, beaches and pools ready for the approaching season. He said work on new baseball diamonds at Deming Field had proceeded on schedule, but excessive rain may cause some delay.

Francis Douglas To Be Cited For His Contribution to Sports

2-26-53

Rabida Council, Knights of Columbus, To Present Award to GE Supervisor Sunday Night at Boys' Club Auditorium

Francis E. Douglas, one of the most active volunteer workers in the Park Department, has been selected by Rabida Council, Knights of Columbus and FMTA, as the 1953 winner of its annual award to an individual, who has made an outstanding contribution to sports in Pittsfield over a period of years. The presentation will be made at the sports night program Sunday at 8 in the Boys' Club auditorium.

The 42-year-old time study supervisor at the GE, who will be awarded the silver plaque, was born in Barre, Vt., in 1912. He was graduated from Valley Forge Military Academy and attended the University of Vermont. He has been associated with the GE since 1936.

Interested in Youth

In making their selection for the current year the committee was impressed by the willingness of the recipient to give of his time to projects in behalf of Pittsfield's youth and the thoroughness with which he accomplishes his assignments. These tasks went back to the regime of Jackson Perry in the Park Department and have continued with increased success under Vincent Hebert. Mr. Douglas has directed in various capacities in the Midget League, the Flea League, the Little and Little Bigger circuits of schoolboy baseball; he has aided in the building of the Park Department bowling program and is a prime mover in the Pittsfield Speed Skating Club.

Francis E. Douglas

Many of his week ends are devoted to transporting the skaters to racing centers in the Northeast. He also has organized the Halloween parades, sled racing and Easter egg roll. Mr. Douglas is a charter member of the Monday Morning Quarterback Club and has served as secretary for the Little League and vice-chairman of the Junior City Baseball. With the beginning of the CYA at the FMTA this winter he served as coach of a boys' basketball team.

The award winner is married to the former Gertrude Hall, a teacher at the Rice School, and is the father of three children. The family lives at 25 Elizabeth Street.

11-14-53

Sports Committee To Begin Meetings On Monday Evening

Tentative budget and event-scheduling plans and arrangements for the annual winter sports equipment exchange sale will be made at the first meeting of the Park Department's winter sports committee at 8 Monday evening in the department offices.

Miss Sadie M. Wowk, chairman of the committee, has confirmed the fact that the North American speed skating championships will be held Feb. 5 through 7 in Pittsfield.

Chairmen for the various winter carnival events will be appointed soon.

Anyone interested in winter sports is invited to attend the committee meetings held every other Monday evening.

FAIR OR FOUL

By Roger O'Gara

IT'S NOT HARD to understand the reluctance of most high school basketball players to comply with the rule requiring them to raise their hands when they have been called for fouling. As grade school students, they have come to associate that gesture with two entirely different things. It is an indication that they know the answer to a question posed by the teacher, and also can be interpreted as an emergency request for permission to leave the room.

It's admittedly difficult then to engage in this public proclamation of guilt. By adopting this sign, the code-makers have in effect made it mandatory for the boy to say, "I have been naughty."

Regardless of how you feel about it, however, the regulation is in the book, and should be enforced more strictly in Berkshire County. Many officials are lax in not insisting that the boy put up his arm, and thus contribute to accurate record-keeping.

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THE RULE IS designed to clear away existing uncertainty as to who has committed the foul. Certainly it wasn't put there to humiliate anyone. Yet some temperamental youngsters seem to be operating on the premise that if they raise their hands, they are confessing that the official was right.

Regardless of how closely a scorer watches a game, he often may be mistaken as to the identity of the fouling player, especially if the infraction has occurred when the boys are bunched.

Some officials don't articulate plainly, and there's a large element of error in lip-reading. For as anyone who has attended the average important school game realizes, it's almost impossible for an official's voice to be heard from any distance. The use of fingers by the officials also can't be regarded as a fool-proof system. Thus the boy who makes the foul must help the scorer by raising his hand. It should be emphasized that the lad isn't incriminating himself or paying tribute to the eyesight of the official when he co-operates to this extent.

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COACHES SHOULD insist that their young men adhere to the rule. By doing so, they will be helping to foster the sportsmanship which frequently is discussed at banquets or during losing seasons.

The coaches have a responsibility, but the officials have a greater one. They should get tough with these terrible-tempered or arm-weary kids, and slap them with technical fouls. Then you'd see those arms go up so fast that you'd think a needle had been applied.

The rule provides that a technical foul shall be called on any player who doesn't use the prescribed method of announcing, "It was I." Under Section 4 of Rule 10, I find this description of what constitutes a violation in this particular category: "Or failing to raise his hand at arm's length above his head after being charged with a personal foul or raising it in such as way as to indicate resentment."

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THOSE WHO appreciate high-grade basketball would do well to see the game between the Wilkes-Barre (Pa.) Barons and the Lenox Merchants in the State Armory tonight. Seats should be no problem. Bill Gregory's team hasn't filled the place yet, although it deserves to.

The fabulous Billy Harrell is worth the price of admission. This agile and well-built Negro athlete (he stands six feet, one inch, and weighs 180 pounds) can do more things with a basketball than anyone I've ever seen except Bob Cousy. Keep your eye on Harrell. You may be hearing about him in the National Basketball Association next season. He was drafted by the Indianapolis Olympians last winter when he was a senior at Siena College, but decided against trying. Now he's toying with the idea of giving it a whirl next year.

Gregory plans high-grade attractions at the Armory throughout March. With the closing of the home school season this week, he may try to arrange Friday night games. He has been operating on Thursday, because that's the only night available throughout much of the winter.

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TONY FERDYN, who always was one of my favorite athletes, is rated a good chance of being the regular third baseman for the strong Parris Island (S.C.) Marines' baseball team. He's competing for the job against John Idzik, former University of Maryland athlete. The latest issue of The Boot, the base's weekly paper, contains a picture of Ferdyn, Idzik and three others under the caption, "Probable Starting Infielders."

The squad has been drilling for a month. The season will open in three weeks. Ferdyn now weighs 180 pounds. He writes that the extra poundage has enabled him to get plenty of distance to his drives. A left-handed batter, he hit a long ball, even when he was a little fellow in high school. Tony was selected as All-Berkshire third baseman at PHS in 1950. He was better known in school as a football player. His specialty was passing, and he and Don Morehead made a great aerial combination. Tony played for the Brass Rail in baseball and the Tyler Aces and the Golden Bears in football prior to entering the service.

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BOBBY BOLSTER, the former St. Joseph's High basketball star, is having an interesting experience at St. Michael's College this winter, although he's not playing as much as he would like to. A sophomore varsity reserve, Bobby is doubling in brass as coach of the jayvees. At last report, his team had a three-three record. One of his men is classmate Dave Quinlan, also an ex-St. Joseph's High player. Dave has scored five points in two games. In varsity play, Bobby has a total of 13 points in six contests.

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SPEAKING OF St. Michael's, the Southern Berkshire Interscholastic League this spring probably will lose the dubious distinction of having the shortest baseball schedule in the nation. The down county loop usually plays a season in little more than three weeks, concluding on the day before Memorial Day. St. Michael's, probably figuring correctly on the Northern Vermont climate, proposes to compress an 11-game slate this spring into 19 days. The start is billed for May 1. St. Michael's will meet Williams at Williamstown May 15th.

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IF YOU HAVE ANY ideas that you would like to schedule sports events at Wahconah Park this summer, you should speak now, or hold your peace. Vin Hebert of the Park Department has asked me to remind anyone who wants to live dangerously as a promoter or manager that all applications for dates must be submitted to his office by next Friday. The office is at 52 School Street.

The only two brave souls on the horizon at the moment are a pair of Joes—Borletto and DeMaria. Both have chronic cases of promotion. Borletto proposes to stage semipro baseball at the park two or three times a week, with a star-studded representative Pittsfield team as the big attraction. DeMaria has outlined elaborate plans for wrestling and boxing presentations

Brass Rail Hearing Tonight Expected To Draw Full House

Session Transferred to Park Department Offices—Rice and Crane PTA Units Turn Down Suggestion To Intervene

An overflow crowd is expected at City Hall Annex tonight when the Licensing Board opens its public hearing on the already battle-scarred application of Pasquale B. Cioffi to move his Brass Rail Restaurant from North Street to Woodlawn Avenue.

The opposition forces will be headed by Msgr. Eugene F. Marshall, who plans to attend the hearing in person to back up his pulpit statement that bringing another bar into the Morningside area would be "an outrage."

In anticipation of a heavy turnout, the Licensing Board has decided to shift the scene of action from its own second-floor office to the more roomy Park Department headquarters across the hall. Earlier plans for holding the session in the councilmanic chamber at City Hall were killed last week by an engineer's report that the chamber is unsafe for continued use.

The Brass Rail hearing will begin at 8 PM and will be preceded at 7.30 by a hearing on an application from Richard F. Mooney to sell his cafe on Columbus Avenue to Howard E. Storie and Edward P. Moran. This application is expected to go through without opposition.

No Decision Tonight

Whatever develops at the Brass Rail hearing, there is no likelihood of a decision on Mr. Cioffi's petition tonight. On controversial matters the Licensing Board customarily defers its ruling until several days after the hearing, and Board Chairman Sidney I. Katz said today that this procedure will presumably be followed in the Cioffi case.

The other two Licensing Board members are John F. Downing and Harry J. Burns. Board decisions are made by a simple majority vote.

In addition to Msgr. Marshall's opposition, written statements against the Brass Rail transfer are expected to be submitted to the board tonight by Rev. Philip D. Chamberlain of Morningside Baptist Church and Rev. Nelson W. Burns of Trinity Methodist Church.

PTA on Sideline

The opposition's plans for bringing several Parent-Teacher Association units into the fray, however, apparently have failed to materialize. The president of the Crane School PTA said today that Msgr. Marshall had suggested through Crane Principal Frank R. Mullen that the unit there might take action, but that it had been decided after examining the bylaws that such a step would be outside of the PTA's province, although individual members were free to take any action they wished.

The Rice School PTA also considered a request to intervene in the hearing, but PTA President E. Bernard Carmell said today it had been decided that the issue "is a political matter and not within the scope of the PTA to take a stand."

Although neither Rice nor Crane are in the immediate vicinity of the proposed new Brass Rail site, which is opposite the GE main gate, they are closer than any other schools in the city.

It had also been reported that the General Electric Company has been asked to intervene against Mr. Cioffi's petition, but a company official said yesterday that GE will make no appearance at the hearing tonight.

Mr. Cioffi will be represented at the hearing by Attorney Francis J. Quirico, former city solicitor.

3-13-53

FAIR OR FOUL

By Roger O'Gara

ONE PHASE of the new junior high school program which seems to be safe from verbal fire is the construction of three tennis courts at each of the play areas. The net sport has been an orphan here for too many years.

The School Building Commission is to be commended for its decision to make tennis a part of the athletic program and for its inclusion of the Parks and Recreation Department in the plans. The park group will have charge of night-time use of the courts.

A recent survey showed that Pittsfield is the largest New England city without municipal surfaces. Six courts in a city with a population close to 55,000 admittedly won't care for all who want to play, but it's a beginning.

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THE PARK MEN PLAN to seek funds for the erection of additional courts at Deming Field. The estimated cost is $2000 a court. Correspondence in the department's files indicates that the job could have been done in 1924 for between $400 and $500 a court, but then it didn't cost much to eat in that distant day.

The only aid which Pittsfield ever gave to tennis was misplaced. The Park Commission some years ago authorized construction of courts at Coolidge Playground, and soon had a bumper crop of weeds.

That of course wasn't a fair test. It's a certainty that the new courts will be used heavily.

There are 19 private courts in the city. These include the ones at the Country Club of Pittsfield, the YMCA's Camp Merrill and the General Electric Athletic Association. A few dozen hardy adult devotees have played regularly on these for some years, but the sport didn't grow because comparatively few children had an opportunity to play it. The introduction of facilities for those in the formative years should mark the beginning of a boom.

Central PTA To Hear Recreation Supervisor

3-12-53

Henry A. Bonnett, recreation supervisor of the Park Department, will speak at the Central Junior High School Parent-Teacher Association meeting at 7.45 Tuesday evening at the school.

His topic will be "Recreation Activities Provided by the Park and Recreation Department for Children of School Age."

Refreshments and a social hour will follow the meeting.

Central PTA Hears Bonnett on Parks

3-18-53

The five main reasons for the Park department recreation program for children of school age were cited by Henry A. Bonnett, recreation supervisor of the Park Department, at a meeting of the Central Junior High School PTA last night.

He also described the various park activities in the four seasons as part of his talk entitled: "Recreation Activities Provided by the Park and Recreation Department for Children of School Age, and Why." Refreshments and a social hour followed his talk.

Reasons given by Mr. Bonnett are: To manage and control recreation areas and facilities of various types; to acquire, establish, maintain and operate these recreation areas within municipal boundaries; to organize and supervise recreational activities and services; to promote and foster public recreation, and to manage and control allotted public funds in the operation of a public recreation program.

Lawton Resigns Park Board Post

3-18-53

David B. Lawton, recently-named manager of GE's Rome, Ga., plant, today submitted to Mayor Capeless his resignation as a member of the Park Commission.

Mr. Lawton was appointed to the commission in 1951. His term would have expired in May, 1954.

Dump Truck Sought By Park Department

4-3-53

The Park Department is asking bids for a new two-ton dump truck to replace an old 1947 model.

Bids will be received at the office of the park superintendent, 52 School Street, until Monday afternoon, April 13, at 2.

Detailed specifications may be obtained at the department office.

April 3 & April 6, '53

CITY OF PITTSFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS
DEPT. OF PARKS AND RECREATION
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids to furnish a 2-Ton Dump Truck, addressed to the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, Pittsfield, Mass., and clearly marked—Two-Ton Dump Truck—will be received at the office of the Superintendent, 52 School Street, until 2:00 P. M. on April 13, 1953, and at that time and place they will be publicly opened and read. Specifications may be obtained at the office of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

The Park Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to accept any bids, if deemed for the best interest of the City to do so.

VINCENT J. HEBERT, Superintendent,
Department of Parks and Recreation.

Call Issued For Summer Park Leaders

3-21-53

37 Positions Are Open For 1953 Season

The Park Department announced today it will employ 19 directors and 18 leaders at the city's playgrounds this summer. Applications for these positions are now available at the department's office, 52 School Street.

A director's job pays $40 a week, and the salary for leaders is $35 weekly.

Tot lots at Victory Hill and Wilson Park, open only three hours a day last summer, will be open all day under the supervision of a full-time director this season, the department said.

Positions for arts, crafts, music, dance and publicity supervisors are also open. These jobs pay $45 a week. The publicity director will work from June 8 to Aug. 28. Other supervisors will be employed from June 10 to Aug. 21.

The department also needs two part-time sports directors. Experience in coaching or directing sports is necessary. These positions pay $1 an hour.

The 1953 playground season will run from June 22 to Aug. 21. Nine weeks long, the season will begin and close a week earlier than last year to take advantage of June weather.

All playground employes are required to participate in a pre-season program from June 15-19, under the direction of Miss Grace Walker of the National Recreation Association. The public is invited to attend this session.

Attendance is also required at weekly staff meetings and workshops which supplement the pre-season training institute.

Interviews with the Park Commission, superintendent and recreation supervisor will be arranged for college students during Easter vacation. Some interviews were conducted last week at the University of Massachusetts.

In addition, the department needs two movie projector operators to work five nights a week. Applicants must have their own cars. The salary is $4 a night.

The department also disclosed that positions for aquatic supervisors at lakes and wading pools are also open. The chief aquatic supervisor in charge of all city swimming activities receives a $50-a-week salary. The job runs from June 18 to Sept. 9 on a 48-hour-a-week basis.

Beach masters and aquatic instructors are also needed. These positions pay $45 a week. Instructors will work from June 19 to Sept. 9.

Other openings for the coming season include assistant beach masters, $42 a week, and lifeguards, $40 a week. These jobs run for the same length of time as aquatic instructors.

Wading pool lifeguards will work from June 19 to Aug. 30 at a weekly salary of $38.

Aquatic personnel will be required to attend a pre-season institute conducted by the Park Department and the American Red Cross. Dates for the program will be announced soon.

Selected applicants will be notified shortly after their interviews, the department said.

3/20/53

FAIR OR FOUL

By Roger O'Gara

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A DECISION probably will be made tonight by the Park Commission on the petition by Manager Joe Borletto of the Buick Tyler Aces' baseball team for use of Wahconah Park three times a week next summer. You'll recall that Clem Farrell recently appeared before the commission to advise strongly against granting Borletto's request. Farrell alleged that Borletto was a poor business and baseball man. He used stronger language than that, but that's what he meant.

Much has been written and more has been said in informal discussion circles concerning the Farrell-Borletto feud. I know that Borletto soon must have an answer from the commission, because he wants to hold the state championship American Baseball Congress tournament here. Ray Dumont, the national czar of the semipro baseball organization, is putting pressure on Borletto. If Borletto gets the park, the tournament will be here. If he doesn't, it probably will be assigned to Brockton. The Aces won the Massachusetts title last year at Canton.

Another waiting for a verdict by the board is Joe DeMaria, the Springfield promoter, who plans to stage boxing and wrestling bouts at Wahconah Park during June, July and August. Joe recently advised the commission that he can't submit dates as yet, but would appreciate assurance of the availability of the park. He probably will receive an O.K.

Unless there is an unexpected rush of activity, the commission won't be besieged by applicants for the park. Borletto, DeMaria, and the high school and Legion baseball men seem to be the only people who want the place. After all, a permit to use Wahconah Park is a guarantee of nervous fits and a 50-50 shot for financial woe.

Park Department Ends Year With $6461 Surplus for City

4-6-53

The Department of Parks and Recreation in its annual report filed yesterday disclosed that 1952 revenue totaling $6461 will be turned over to the city.

The revenue, earned from rentals and concessions at the various parks and lakes and sports and community activities, is $842 less than the amount returned in 1951.

Biggest single item of revenue—$2263—was earned through rentals, advertising and concessions at Wahconah Park. Pontoosuc Lake facilities netted the department $2039, and another $1225 came from Onota Lake.

Winter sports activities, rentals at Springside Park, the Eastern States Exchange Fund, the Balance Rock Park Fund, picnic kit rentals, city property damage reimbursement, bath house commissions, softball entrance fees and left over softball equipment accounted for the balance.

Report Divided

The 26-page, detailed report, filed by Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert, is divided into two parts—park and recreation activities.

It lists a break-down of department employes, improvements made during the year, special events conducted by the department, and attendance figures.

The total Park Department budget for the year was $162,229, of which $99,967 went into park activities and $62,269 into recreational activities. It was 2.45 per cent of the city $6,603,000 budget.

The department spent $73,100 on wages for regular and intermittent help, and $30,000 for part-time and seasonal employes. Regular expenses amounted to $32,765, while $21,464 was spent on personal services. Wages for park policemen came to $4000.

Capital Outlay

The 1952 capital outlay budget came to $15,000.

Aggregate attendance at all Park Department events and areas last year was 459,181, the report showed. Biggest crowd at any single event was an estimated 31,500 for the Halloween celebration, highlighted by General Electric's fabulous "Pitt the Dragon."

A total of 160,295 used the department's beach and pool facilities, 21,450 were served by the Golden Age Club, 13,944 persons used picnic areas, 155,767 used the city's 19 playgrounds and 26,746 participated in winter sports programs.

Maintenance Crew Work

The report also showed that a 20-man maintenance crew was responsible for development and repair at the department's 19 playgrounds, 15 baseball fields, seven softball fields, five football fields, two soccer fields, 40 roadside turf plots, six skating areas, three skiing areas, three coasting areas, two picnic groves, large formal garden, nine roadside flower beds, 10 cross walks, and four beaches and wading pools.

In the report, Mr. Hebert praised the co-operation between his organization and other municipal departments. He said the Halloween festival was the outstanding event of the year, but added that the department was not primarily concerned with "spectacular events of short duration."

The wide variety of activities last year, Mr. Hebert said, will serve as a stimulant to the department in planning for greater service in 1953.

Senior Employes Extra Pay Ordinance Okayed

4-15-53

Ordinances granting extra pay and longer vacations for senior city employes were given first-round approval by unanimous vote of the City Council last night.

Both measures were passed without delay. They had been discussed at length in a series of committee and Council meetings over the past two months.

The pay ordinance will add $50 a year to the salaries of city employes with five years' service, $100 for 10 years, $150 for 15 years, and $200 for 20 years or more.

The vacation ordinance allows three weeks for employes who have been on the city pay roll 15 years or more. At present, the maximum vacation is two weeks.

Both measures are designed to reduce the high rate of turnover in municipal employment by giving tangible rewards for faithful service. They are scheduled to get their second and final readings at the Council's next meeting April 28.

Pigeons, Lumber, Spray Gun Stolen

Police investigated over the week end the thefts of five pigeons, a paint spray gun, and some lumber which was intended for use at Clapp Park.

Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert reported 38 pieces of lumber missing from the Clapp Park Little League baseball diamond. The pre-cut lumber was later recovered by Officer Joseph J. Monteleone and Detectives Martin L. Fahey and Francis D. O'Neil.

Five pigeons were stolen in a break into a chicken coop owned by Clinton Shook of 1184 North Street, police said. None of the chickens were stolen.

And John Bello of 18 Laurel Street was missing a spray gun and attachments following a break into a workshop at the rear of his home.

Field Permits To Be Issued By Park Group

4/15/53

Applications May Be Made Tomorrow

Despite unseasonal weather, the Park Department announced today that permits for the use of baseball and softball fields in the city will be issued, starting tomorrow.

Baseball fields, for which permits will be issued, include Brown Street, diamond No. 1 at the Common, Coolidge, No. 1 at Clapp, No. 1 at Deming, Lakewood and Osceola.

Locations where softball will be played are No. 2 and No. 3 at the Common, No. 2 and No. 3 at Deming, Highland, Lakewood, Osceola, Pitt and Springside.

Little League ball will be played at No. 2 at Clapp, No. 4 at Deming and Wahconah.

The Common, Clapp and Deming were ready for immediate use before the restn snow storm. Others will be opened as weather and ground conditions permit.

Weekly Basis

Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert, in making the announcement, said that permits will be issued on a weekly basis. And no team may use a specified field for practice more than six days in advance of a game date. Further, unless specified in writing, no team will be granted more than three permits at any one time. Permits for practices will be issued for two-hour periods.

Playground directors will have priority for fields during the week until 5 PM. And the department reserves the right to revoke permits in the interest of greater community activity, or in cases of violation of department policy.

Organizations may apply for permits at the Park Department office, 52 School Street.

Recreation Leaders Attend Conference

5-12-53

Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert, Mrs. Ann Jordan and Recreation Supervisor Henry A. Bonnet of the Pittsfield Park Department, and Miss Julia Root, director of the Lenox Community Center, left for Newport, R.I., today to attend the annual New England recreation conference. The session continues through Friday.

Park Police Jobs For 12 Men Open

4-29-53

Applications are being received at the Parks and Recreation Department office, 52 School Street, for 12 park police positions which are for the summer only. Applicants must be men over 21 years of age. All candidates must file applications and those who have never served previously will be interviewed.

How Explain Vandals At Balance Rock?

4-23-53

The special bill to deliver Balance Rock Park from the jurisdiction of the Pittsfield Park Department to the state Conservation Department is finally on its way through the legislative hopper, and few will regret the change of ownership. Although the rock has been the geological wonder of the Berkshires since the last great glacier passed this way, it has suffered more indignities in the past 10 years than in the previous 10,000. Since World War II it has perched among the empty pints and picnic droppings as a forlorn monument to man's inhumanity to nature.

Geologists can explain Balance Rock's history, but only a psychiatrist could explain the degree of refined vandalism that went into its defacement. The etched initials on its surface are understandable enough, and so is the litter that surrounds it. But how to explain the people who came with paint pots to inscribe messages for posterity in indelible barn red? This was no spontaneous atrocity conceived in a mad moment and executed with materials at hand. It had to be the product of premeditated planning by vandals so dedicated to their work that they cheerfully went to the time and trouble of transporting paints and brushes to the scene of their labors.

The rock's new owners will presumably restore it to its former dignity, but neither time nor the Commonwealth is likely to unravel the sociological mystery of the paint-pot brigade. Such ill-spent energy baffles the rational mind and converts indignation to silent wonder.

Park Department Honors Mrs. Jordan

7/2/53

Mrs. Charles R. Jordan, who resigned her position as full-time manager of recreation for the Park Department, was honored at a farewell party last evening at the Howard Johnson Restaurant by 30 members of the department.

Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent, spoke, and Mrs. Jordan was presented a gift by Miss Marilyn Thompson.

11 Park Policemen Take Oath; Get Instructions

6/11/53

Eleven park policemen, recently selected by the Park Commission were sworn in by City Clerk John J. Fitzgerald last night at a meeting at police headquarters.

Francis P. Sheridan, Allen H. Jacobs, William L. McKenna, Robert H. Knight, Victor V. DeFazio, T. Norton Harte, Lawrence F. Jacobs, Carroll Hickey, Raymond Warner, Ralph Cann and Robert G. Stafford took the oath while Edward C. Hickey, Kris T. Ginthwain and Stephen Helstowski will qualify later.

Superintendent Vincent J. Herbert outlined the duties of the policemen, who will assist the department in conducting this summer's recreation program and discussed the procedure and jurisdiction of the special officers in making arrests.

Park police will enforce department rules, and will be responsible for investigating damaged department property. They will also control persons who interfere with park and playground programs.

In addition, the officers will police neighborhood movies, help in the conduct of playground sports programs and maintain and submit weekly reports. Officers assigned to duty at the city lakes will patrol the areas, maintain order at bathing areas and control picnic sections and parking.

At last night's meeting, Sergeant James F. Magner of the Police Department explained in detail how the park police system ties in with the city police. He also suggested numerous ways in which the park police could increase their efficiency.

Hebert Denied Opportunity To Attend Conclave

3/18/53

Parks Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert said today he has been asked to participate in the National Recreation Association's annual congress this year but will be unable to do so because his budget allows no funds for out-of-town travel.

The congress will be held in Philadelphia starting Sept. 28. Mr. Hebert said he has been invited to be chairman of a session on winter sports.

Out-of-state travel allowances for department heads have been cut out of the municipal budget by the City Council annually for the past several years as an economy measure.

Landscape Gardener Sought by City

7/8/53

Any landscape gardener willing to work for the city at $1.38 an hour will get a cordial reception at the Park Department office in City Hall Annex.

The department's budget provides for a gardener to take care of trees and shrubs on parks and playgrounds, but the job has been vacant since the resignation of Richard Belford six months ago.

According to Park Superintendent Vincent J. Vebert, the city's attempts to find a qualified successor have been uniformly unsuccessful.

9/10/53

Women Sought For Recreation Supervisor Post

The Park Commission now is accepting applications for the Civil Service position of recreation supervisor, Vincent J. Hebert, park superintendent, announced yesterday. Qualified women may call the Park Department for interview appointments.

The vacancy was caused by the resignation of Mrs. Charles R. Jordan on July 1 because of her recent marriage. She is continuing to work on a part-time basis.

Civil Service requirements for the position, which pays from $3000 to $3456 yearly are: Eighteen months of paid recreation experience, or a substitute of training in a recognized degree-granting college, leading to a degree with a major in recreation, specializing in sports. A major in physical education may be substituted on the basis of one year of education for six months of experience, and other training in a recognized degree-granting college may be substituted for a maximum of 12 months of the required experience for three months of experience.

The supervisor's duties are to participate in planning, organization, and direction of recreation for women and girls on a city-wide basis at indoor or outdoor centers; to supervise recreation activities and to plan programs for the playgrounds and community centers; to have charge of the Golden Age Club; to initiate and direct recreation organizations for women and girls and to arrange for their leadership, meeting places and programs; to co-operate with other department workers in planning and directing activities and programs in which women and girls participate; to maintain relationships with other public and private agencies in planning recreation for women and girls; to submit reports to the superintendent concerning all matters of special concern to women and girls; and to perform related work as required.

Recreation Supervisor for Women Named

9-22-53

Miss Hilda Swanson Of Syracuse, N.Y., Gets City Post

The Pittsfield Park Commission today announced the appointment of Miss Hilda H. Swanson, 34, of Syracuse, N.Y., as recreation supervisor to succeed Mrs. Charles R. Jordan who resigned July 1.

William J. Carrigan, commission chairman, said Miss Swanson will assume her duties in the $3,456-a-year post on Monday.

Mrs. Jordan resigned from the Civil Service position because of her marriage. She will continue as a part-time worker in the department.

Miss Swanson will come to Pittsfield from Amsterdam, N.Y., where she has been assistant superintendent of recreation and supervisor of girls' and women's activities. She also has been acting as superintendent for the entire department filling a vacancy caused by the death of the superintendent.

Served in WAVES

The new superintendent is a graduate of Fayetteville (N.Y.) High School and Syracuse Business College; she also attended Hunter College as part of her training with the U.S. Navy during World War II. Miss Swanson served 18 months with the WAVES as a specialist, seaman third class.

Before joining the Amsterdam Recreation Commission in March, 1952, Miss Swanson had served two years as assistant superintendent of the Brattleboro (Vt.) Recreation Department. Prior to that she was a recreation leader for the Syracuse Recreation Department for one year and assistant supervisor of athletics in charge of girls' and women's activities for two years.

Miss Swanson has also done volunteer work for the Camp Fire Girls and the Girls' Friendly Association in Fayetteville and the Girls' Sea Scouts in Dewitt, N.Y. She has taken special recreation courses at Syracuse and from the Vermont State Recreation Department.

In her Pittsfield post, Miss Swanson will have charge of all recreational activities for women and girls in the Department of Parks and Recreation.

. . Now that Parks Superintendent Vin Hebert has wisely outlawed cider jugs at Wahconah Park football games, it will be interesting to see who's the first to arrive with a hot-water bottle . . . 9/21/53

Cider Jugs Are Outlawed At Wahconah

9/19/53

Thirsty fans will have to get along without their cider jugs at Wahconah Park football games according to Vincent J. Hebert, Parks and Recreation Department superintendent.

"The jig's up for the jugs," said Hebert, who added that the crocks will be confiscated by Park attendants, but will be returned to the cider sippers at the end of the game.

Carelessly discarded jugs are a definite hazard, Hebert said, as the fans are apt to cut themselves on the broken fragments. Last night's game saw a goodly number of the jugs shattered under the stands, but fortunately no wounds were reported.

Some sort of a filing system will be worked out so that the jugs will be returned to the right owners, the superintendent said.

$2,100 Job Vacancy

10/1/53

There's a $2,100-a-year vacancy in the Pittsfield Department of Parks and Recreation for a senior clerk and typist.

A civil service examination will be given Nov. 14. Applications, which may be obtained at the City Hall office of Philip C. Ahern, must be filed by Oct. 26.

10-15-53

Park Board Hears Plans For Halloween

Fire Damage Report Given by Hebert At Monthly Meeting

The Park Commission had a busy time at its monthly meeting last night.

Biggest item on a crowded agenda was a report by Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert on proposed plans for the eighth annual Halloween celebration, Saturday night, Oct. 31. He discussed the new parade route, participation by the University of Massachusetts band and girls' drill team, co-operation by PTA groups and the use of Wahconah Park.

Mr. Hebert also reported on a recent fire at the Springside Park garage which he estimated will cost the department $1,300 in equipment damage and labor costs. He said power saws, mower blades, branding irons, hydraulic jacks and other tools were damaged in the blaze. He said his estimate did not include damage to the building.

Two Grass Fires

Mr. Hebert told the commission he had chased "two small boys" out of the Springside area late yesterday afternoon after he discovered two grass fires near the observatory. He said dry conditions in the area made the threat of fire extremely great.

The commission granted the superintendent permission to attend a NEAAU swimming committee meeting in Boston, Oct. 23.

Mr. Hebert announced that the Civil Service Commission has set Dec. 12 as the date for examinations for 15 park police positions. Applications may be obtained at the city administrator's office in City Hall. The deadline for filing is Nov. 23. Letters advising of the tests have been sent to all persons who have served as park policemen in the last five years.

Ward 5 Campaign

Sykes Criticizes Condition of Parks, Play Areas

10/1/53

Kenneth John Sykes, candidate for the Ward 5 City Council seat, today issued a statement criticizing the "shabby and disgraceful condition" of parks and playgrounds in the ward.

He said the worst example is Clapp Park, which he described as "poorly cared for, poorly supervised when open during vacation months, and rarely policed after darkness."

Sykes also stated that many public works improvements in Ward 5 are long overdue. He said that many streets are in urgent need of repair work and better lighting and that residents in parts of West Pittsfield get such poor water pressure that they are compelled to transport water to their homes to take care of daily needs.

He also said steps should be taken to improve traffic conditions in the Clapp Park area, which he described as extremely hazardous for children and elderly pedestrians.

10-8-53

Garage Fire Damage Set At $1,800

Cause of Blaze At Springside House Not Determined

Fire of unknown origin caused an estimated $1,800 damage last night in a city-owned combination garage and workshop at the rear of Springside House on upper North Street.

The brick and wood building, used by the Park Department for housing vehicles and as a workshop for playground projects, might have been destroyed except for early discovery of the fire and prompt action by firemen.

Destroyed in the blaze were a number of carpenters' tools, several lockers and the whole interior of the workshop. Structural damage was done to the attic joists and wall supports.

Two Trucks Saved

Two trucks housed in the garage at the front of the building were saved. One was driven out by Fireman Emil Marquis and the other by Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert, who with his family occupies an apartment in Springside House.

Mrs. Ann Jordan, a Park Department employe, discovered the blaze at 7:05 p.m. when she arrived in her car at the Springside House yard. She gave the alarm to Mrs. Hebert, who called the fire department.

Three fire trucks responded, two from Morningside station and one pumper from Peck's Road station. Two hydrant lines were used to pour water into the blazing workshop, where the blaze was centered. Firemen used ladders to enter the attic over the workshop. Several holes had to be chopped in the walls to get at the fire.

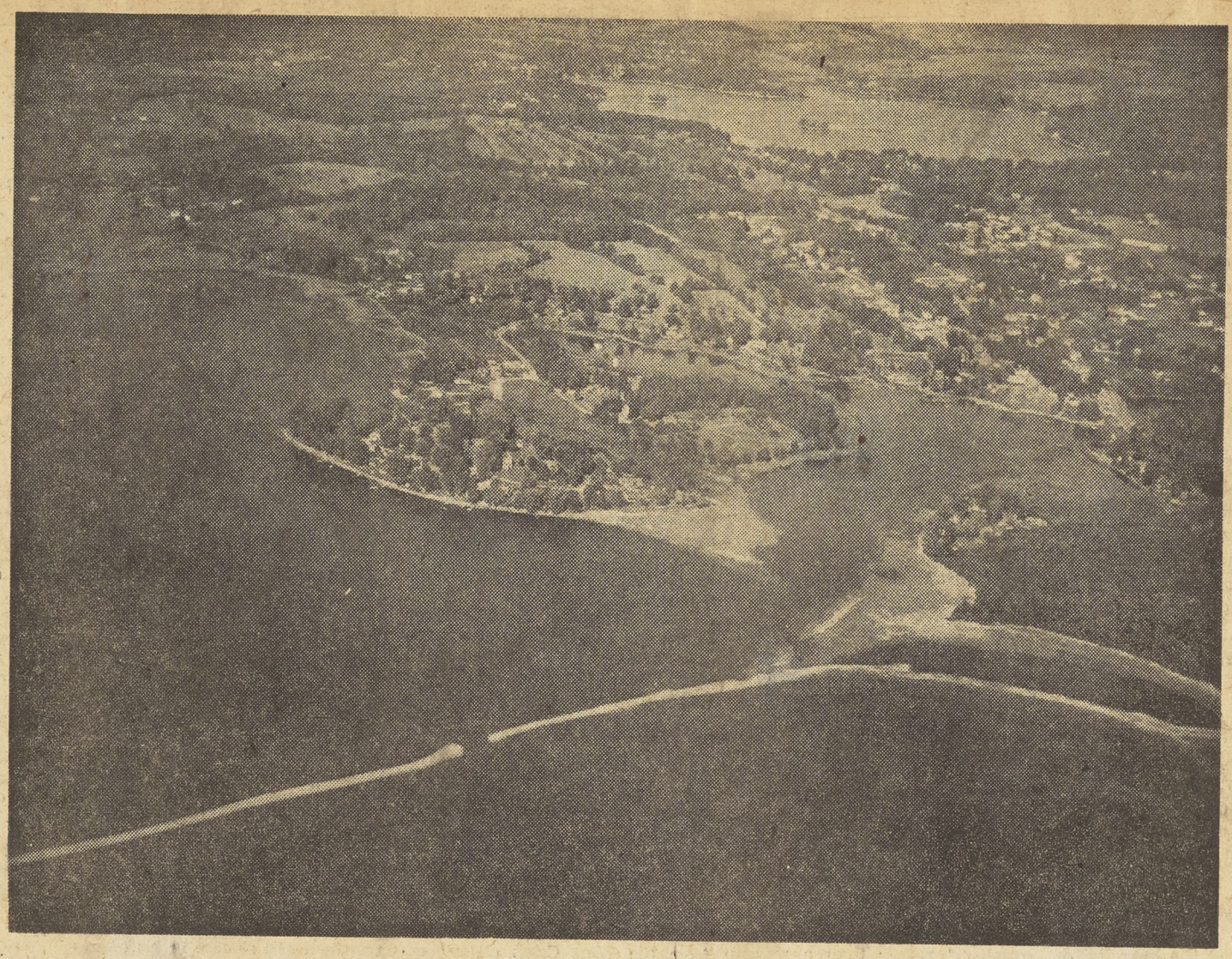
Started in Workshop

Fire Chief Burke said the cause of the fire has not been determined, although it definitely originated in the workshop. Several Park Department workers had been in the shop during the afternoon, he noted.

Lt. Howard W. Whittemore of the state fire marshal's office and City Wire Inspector Ezra J. Cushing have been notified and are checking the cause of the fire.

Chief Burke said the loss is covered by a blanket insurance policy on all city-owned property.

Firemen remained on the scene until 10 to guard against any rekindling of the blaze.



DROUGHT REVEALS ONOTA ROAD: Onota Lake, like other parts of the Berkshires, has been shriveled by the drought. This summer, for the first time since 1949, the old road that used to divide the lake is showing. Before that year, the last that Onota was used for city water supply, the road appeared regularly in dry spells. The exposed flats at the end of Thomas Island just above are another indicati on of low water.

Fowler-Heaton Aerial Photo

9/21/53

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'Billy Fitz' Soon To Leave Post in Recreation Dept.

Sept. Union

Pittsfield, Nov. 4—The children of Pittsfield will lose a good friend on Dec. 2 when William F. (Billy Fitz) Fitzgerald leaves the Park and Recreation Department after

WILLIAM E. FITZGERALD

many years of service as superintendent.

The only thing included in his immediate plans is a long rest.

It was never too hot nor too cold, too early nor too late for Mr. Fitzgerald to be out on the job if it would benefit the kids of the city. Never willingly in the limelight, the picture shown here was "borrowed" from the department files and shows him in a moment of repose which were few and far between during the years.

Every kid on the playgrounds and every athlete who used a public park knew and respected "Billy Fitz."

In Appreciation

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:— 11/4/53

It is difficult to find words to properly express my thanks, and those of the park commissioners, to those who gave so much of their time and effort in making the 1953 Halloween celebration such a tremendous success.

Nothing was spared by the young and old who diligently worked on their floats and costumes in order that the spectators might be pleased and I am sure that the happy hours they spent in preparing for the celebration will not soon be forgotten.

From the intricate and expensive GE floats to the most simple and inexpensive costumes, everything seemed to be in order. However, if some phase of our program did not live up to your expectation, please feel free next fall to join the 1954 city-wide Halloween Committee, organized by your Department of Parks and Recreation, where everyone receives an opportunity to share in the planning and production of happiness for others.

VINCENT J. HEBERT,
Superintendent,
Parks and Recreation Department.
Pittsfield.

In Brief . . .

11-6-53

The news that Kelsey's is merely moving off North Street and not out of business is good to hear. Everybody hopes they find the shift as satisfactory as did Peirson Hardware . . . The coming retirement of Bill Fitzgerald from the park maintenance job offers an opportunity to pay tribute to a conscientious public servant whose efforts have made the city both more pleasant to play in and better to look at. Vin Hebert hit it right when he said Bill was a man to whom public service was a satisfaction, not a job . . . John Bonnington's long CD service both during and after World War II makes him a natural to take over from John Joyce the Region 1 executive post . . .

Perhaps blood-donor registrations for Wednesday's session of the Red Cross bloodmobile might increase if the grim significance of its occurring on Armistice Day were given some thought . . . We're glad to see that the FCC has found space on its heavy agenda to come to the aid of Mount Washington's embattled telephone subscribers . . .

11-7-53

Bill Fitzgerald, who is to retire as Park Department maintenance supervisor, will be greatly missed. I saw what a willing and efficient worker he was when Pittsfield was in the Can-Am League. He was at Wahconah Park at all hours, and always was cheerful. In connection with the maintenance of the many skating rinks in the city, Bill was laboring when nearly everybody else was in bed because the spraying of the rinks had to be done during the night.

Bill Fitzgerald Retiring; Praised for Parks Service

11/4/53

William F. Fitzgerald, who has kept the city's parks and playgrounds in top shape for the past eight years as Park Department maintenance supervisor, will retire from municipal service Dec. 2.

In a letter to the Park Commission, Mr. Fitzgerald said yesterday that he is announcing his decision a month ahead of time so there will be adequate time to find a qualified successor. The Park Commission will act on his letter at its regular meeting Monday evening.

William F. Fitzgerald

Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert had warm praise for Mr. Fitzgerald this morning. He described him as the rare type of person who actually enjoys being of service to the public.

"Long hours or bad weather mean nothing to him," Mr. Hebert stated. "He has always taken a special pride in his work."

Served in State Forests

Mr. Fitzgerald, who is 63 years old, has spent much of his adult life in the maintenance and supervision of public park areas. For eight years prior to his Park Department service, he was employed by the National Park Service, serving at the Pittsfield State Forest, Bash Bish Falls in Mount Washington, and the Mt. Tom Reservation in Holyoke, where he was superintendent for a year.

In his present job, he supervises a staff of 18 maintenance workers, plus many part-time employes hired for special projects. His duties have including planning, development and maintenance of 17 playgrounds and some 600 acres of park land.

One of the biggest parts of the job has been keeping the department's 20-odd baseball diamonds and nine skating and skiing areas in top shape. His jurisdiction also covers the Onota and Pontoosuc beaches, and even some 40 roadside grass plots, including the planted areas between the two lanes of roadways on the city's parkways.

Mr. Fitzgerald, who lives at 109 West St., was born in Pittsfield and is a brother of Edward L. Fitzgerald, the city's deputy sealer of weights and measures. He served 21 months in France with the Army Engineers in World War I.

Bill Fitzgerald To Be Honored At Testimonial

11-10-53

William F. Fitzgerald, who will retire at Parks and Recreation Department maintenance foreman Dec. 1, will be honored at a testimonial dinner at the General Electric Athletic Assn. club house Monday evening, Nov. 30.

The Park Commission made preliminary plans for the event at its meeting last night. George P. Clayson is in charge of the printing of tickets, and Edward V. Dillon is arranging for the hall.

Tickets will go on sale shortly.

Bohlman Gets Park Post

11-10-53

Working Foreman Replaces Fitzgerald On Temporary Basis

The Park Department announced today it had named Robert Bohlman of 65 Hungerford St. temporary maintenance supervisor replacing William F. Fitzgerald, who will retire Dec. 2.

Mr. Bohlman, a department employe for the last six years, was chosen for the position at a Park Commission meeting last night at the same time Mr. Fitzgerald's resignation was officially accepted. He will serve until a permanent supervisor is named. That decision will rest on the results of a Civil Service examination to be given shortly.

A 26-year-old Navy veteran of World War II, Mr. Bohlman was a department laborer until two years ago when he was made a working foreman.

Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert presented the commission a budget estimate of $5,965 for repairs and improvements of department buildings. He also discussed the department's total budget for next year.

Baseball Proposals

The commission heard proposals from Al Newman and Merritt Chapman regarding the reorganization of a senior baseball league in the city next season. A meeting was scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 3, to discuss details of the plan.

The commission granted Mr. Hebert and Mr. Fitzgerald permission to attend a New England Association meeting today in Providence, R.I.

Members of the commission in attendance last night were William J. Carrigan, chairman, George P. Clayson, Edward V. Dillon and Daniel R. Lee.

13 Events Listed For Winter Carnival Here

11-17-53

Thirteen competitive and social events were approved last night by the winter sports committee as part of th annual winter carnival program.

First on the list will be an equipment sale, Dec. 17-19, and the Carnival Queen's sendoff dinner, Jan 11. Other activities scheduled are city skating meet, Feb. 4; carnival square dance, Feb. 5; competitors' diner, Feb. 6; North American speed skating championships, Feb. 5-7; interscholastic ski meet, Feb. 5-6; carnival ball, Feb. 12; city ski meet, Feb. 13; city sled races, Feb. 13; ice fishing derby, Feb. 14; Park Square winter sports figure construction, Feb. 4; and snow sculpturing contest, Feb. 8-13.

Miss Sadie M. Wowk, winter sports committee chairman, last night appointed Mrs. William S. Litty secretary of the group, and Paul Bousquet, treasurer. Sanford Bookles and Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert will serve on the executive committee. Mis Dolors Doni wil handle publicity.

The next comimttee meeting has been scheduled for Monday Dec. 7.

Methodist Youths To Hear Talk by Henry Bonnet

11-20-53

Henry Bonnet, recreation superviser of the Parks Department, will speak at a meeting of the Methodist Youth Fellowship to be held in the church Sunday night at 6:30. His subject will be: "Recreation: Past, Present and Future."

The Misses Carolyn Sammet and Susan Wilbur are in charge of the worship service, and Donald MacDonald will lead the recreation.

At last Sunday's planning meeting, the following committees were elected for the first two months: Fellowship recreation, Joseph Whiting, chairman, Lucy Jordan, Richard Thompson, Joanne Trumble, Donald MacDonald and Fred Neumeister; faith and worship, Susan Wilbur, chairman, Carol Sykes, Ann MacDonald, Carolyn Sammet, Gilbert French, Joan Runser and Doris Felton; witness membership, Paul Neumeister, chairman, Betty Spaulding, Beatrice Evans, Roger MacDowell, Paul Whiting, and Barbara Van Bramer; outreach missions, Marjorie Forde, chairman, Judith Stiles, Philip Pryde, Frederick Rohlfs, Roy Hinckley, Paul Neff and Judith Ransford, and citizenship and community service, Calvert Eck, chairman, Robert Stanley, Harvey Quay, Donald Kessler, Antoinette Lincks and Barbara Tyrrell.

11-14-53

RELAXED after retiring last week, popular William F. Fitzgerald takes an experienced look around Wahconah Park. He was grounds supervisor for the Park Department for the past 8 years.

Winter Sports Group To Meet Tonight at 8

11/16/53

A meeting to plan for this coming winter sports program will be held at 8 tonight in the Park Department office, 52 School St.

Cards announcing the meeting were sent to all persons in the city who have volunteered their services previously, and it is hoped that many newcomers also will attend.

Principal business tonight will be to organize committees to take charge of the various phases of the city's annual winter carnival such as the queen's ball, snow sculpturing and ice fishing contests, and speed skating and skiing competitions. One of the features of the 1954 program will be the annual North American Speed Skating Championships to be held here Feb. 5 to 7.

Miss Sadie Wowk is chairman of the winter sports committee.

LEGAL NOTICES

CITY OF PITTSFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
AND RECREATION

11/21/53

The Department of Parks and Recreation will receive bids for furnishing and delivering F.O.B., Pittsfield to Springside Park, 874 North Street, one Heavy Duty Platform Wagon with an 8 x 16 foot platform capable of carrying 4½ tons; automotive type steering equipped with a tractor hitch; plus four (4) 7.50 x 16 6 ply tires and tubes. Trailer must be equipped with electric brakes.

There will be a trade-in on the purchase of this wagon. The trade-in being a five year old fabricated farm type trailer. Delivery of the wagon must be made within 15 days of acceptance—or December 15.

Specifications may be obtained at the office of Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, 52 School Street.

DEPT. OF PARKS & RECREATION,
VINCENT J. HEBERT, Supt.

CITY OF PITTSFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
AND RECREATION

11-23-53

The Department of Parks and Recreation will receive bids for furnishing and delivering F.O.B., Pittsfield to Springside Park, 874 North Street, one Heavy Duty Platform Wagon with an 8 x 16 foot platform capable of carrying 4½ tons; automotive type steering equipped with a tractor hitch; plus four (4) 7.50 x 16 6 ply tires and tubes. Trailer must be equipped with electric brakes.

There will be a trade-in on the purchase of this wagon. The trade-in being a five year old fabricated farm type trailer. Delivery of the wagon must be made within 15 days of acceptance—or December 15.

Specifications may be obtained at the office of Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, 52 School Street.

DEPT. OF PARKS & RECREATION,
VINCENT J. HEBERT, Supt.

Workers Sought For Community Centers

11/23/53

The Department of Parks and Recreation is accepting applications for workers in indoor community centers for gymnasium activities, as well as arts and crafts. Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent, announced today.

The community centers will open the week of Dec. 11.

FAIR OR FOUL

11-24-53

By Roger O'Gara

THE BEST BARGAIN the city of Pittsfield has received in a good many years insofar as personnel is concerned is Bill Fitzgerald, the retiring supervisor of maintenance for the Park Department. Bill's base pay was an incredibly low $4140 a year, but that's only half the story of this industrious, cooperative and pleasant fellow whose energy belies his 63 years.

In this era of grabbing, Bill steadfastly refused to put in for a cent of overtime pay, although he was entitled to it. Any municipal supervisor who has hourly-rated employes under him has the right to claim such extra compensation.

In his eight years on the job, Bill worked thousands of extra hours. He had to be out at odd times because of the variety of tasks which he and his men did. He wasn't an armchair boss either. He was out there with them in rain, sleet, snow and freezing temperatures. An accredited representative of the city told him that he should fill out overtime claims, but he wouldn't do it.

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WHEN ONE considers the tremendous job which he did in a quiet, efficient way, you can't help but smile as you look back to late 1945. Bill was an experienced park man when he came to the city's employ, but almost didn't take office because of a technicality over Civil Service ratings.

The many extra, above-the-line-of-duty kindnesses which Bill Fitz put into his every day work would fill a volume. Regular press box workers at Wahconah Park can attest to that.

His was an important contribution to the success of the annual winter carnivals. It ranged all the way from on-the-job duty at 3 and 4 in the morning in the punishing task of making ice to volunteer work as a baby-sitter. Say parents wanted to watch their 11-year-old boy in the skating races, but didn't have anyone to stay home with the smaller children. Bill and his wife, Louise, would move in, and keep the home fires burning.

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BILL HAD MORE than a passing interest in this city's athletic surfaces. In other words, he wanted to see what was happening after he had manicured the various diamonds and gridirons for action.

He didn't have to be there, but he liked the sports. And as often as not, he was called on to do something. He never complained. He would whisk out of the press box, do it, and return to be briefed on what had happened while he was working.

Back in August, 1952, Charley Lewis, a Trenton, N.J., sports writer, covering the Eastern American Legion junior baseball tournament here on a Saturday night, left a portable radio overnight in the press box. He found the Wahconah Park main gate securely locked Sunday noon, called me and asked whether I could help. A telephone call to Fitz wrapped up that one. Charley had his radio in 15 minutes.

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BILL RESPONDED to emergency calls so cheerfully that you were left to conclude that he enjoyed doing things for people.

He also had a warm-hearted consideration for the men who worked under him. About two years ago, he got up a party for a conscientious old worker who was retiring. Bill was as happy as a kid with a new toy when I told him we'd run the picture of the group in The Eagle.

Bill actually would like to continue on the job, but he's bowing out at the insistence of family and friends as a health precaution. He has a touch of asthma, which may tie in with a gassing which he suffered as a World War I soldier, and the cold and wet of ice-making often have aggravated the condition.

The city's parks have made remarkable strides since the end of World War II. Certainly such trained professionals as Jackson Perry and Vin Hebert brought a new and desirable administrative touch to the big operation. Yet Bill Fitzgerald's contribution looms as large as any.

Bill was nice to Al Rosen when the American League's top slugger was here as a Class C rookie in 1946. Two years later, when Rosen came up to Cleveland in the latter part of the season, Bill met him in Boston. Rosen went out of his way to see that Bill's party had the best of everything. Bill still talks about it, and marvels at how swell a fellow Rosen is.

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HE SHOULD hear what many people in this city think about him. This is only a small expression of the esteem in which he's held.

They'll give Fitz a testimonial dinner at the GEAA clubhouse Monday night. It's often hard to work up enthusiasm for affairs of this kind, but this is one event which shouldn't require high pressure ticket salesmanship. To know Bill Fitz and the date and place should be more than enough.

I have tickets, and will be glad to take your order.

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TRY TO SOLVE this wrestling attendance equation. If two girls plus Joe Walcott plus Armistice night equal 1000 paid admissions, what will be the answer to four girls plus Thanksgiving Eve? Does anybody come up with more than 350?

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MANY MAGAZINES often are embarrassed by poor timing on their sports articles. The pieces are written weeks in advance, and as often as not the individual or team which is featured has fallen flat before publication date. However, the Saturday Evening Post's good story last week on Ivy Williamson, the Wisconsin football coach, was appropriate. It came just a few days after his team's smashing 34-7 conquest of favored Illinois.

Parks Office May Move to Springside House

2/18/54

Headquarters of the city Parks and Recreation Department may be moved from City Hall Annex to Springside House on upper North Street, it was disclosed today by Parks Supt. Vincent J. Hebert.

The purpose of the move, he said, would be to consolidate the department's administrative office and equipment storage facilities. At present, equipment is stored at a number of locations about the city.

The storage space at Springside House would be in the barn, which is big enough to take all department equipment. A proposed appropriation of approximately $20,000 for remodeling the barn is under consideration by the Capital Outlay Committee.

It is estimated that an additional $7,000 would probably be needed to convert the house itself into office space. Mr. Hebert said this could be done without much curtailment of the recreation activities now housed there and without taking space from the building's living quarters, which he and his family have occupied several months.

If funds are made available, Mr. Hebert said, he hopes to make the move before the end of June. The department's present second-floor headquarters in City Hall Annex would very likely be taken over in part by the city's Rent Control Board, which is occupying rented premises.

3-1-54

LEGAL NOTICES

CITY OF PITTSFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
AND RECREATION

Sealed bids to perform electrical work needed at Springside House addressed to the Superintendent of the Department of Parks and Recreation, Pittsfield, Mass. and clearly marked—Springside House Electrical Work—will be received at the office of the Superintendent, 52 School Street until 3 p.m. on March 8, 1954 and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read.

The Superintendent reserves the right to reject any and or all bids, or to accept any bids if deemed for the best interest of the City to do so.

Specifications may be obtained in the office of the Superintendent, 52 School Street on Monday.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
AND RECREATION,
VINCENT J. HEBERT, Superintendent.

Henry Bonnet of 8 Pomeroy Ave. is spending a few days skiing at Stowe, Vt.

2/16/54

Park Board Seeks Raises For Supt. Hebert, Others

12/22/53

A $1,000-a-year salary increase for Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the Park Department, was recommended in a report filed with the mayor and City Council yesterday by the Park Commisison.

The commission also proposed raises of $860 and $600, respectively, for Mr. Hebert's two top aides, Park Foreman Robert Bohlman and Male Recreation Supervisor Henry Bonnet, and a blanket increase of 17 cents an hour for all 19 of the department's hourly-rated employes.

These raises, the commission said, are "extremely necessary" to the success of the Park Department program.

The recommendations, adopted at a Park Commission meeting Monday night, will come before the City Council's final 1953 meeting at the Courthouse tonight. They will probably be referred to the Council's Finance Committee for study.

Proposed Raises

If the proposed raises were granted, Mr. Hebert's pay would go from $5,520 a year to $6,520, Mr. Bohlman's from $4,140 to $5,000, and Mr. Bonnet's from $3,804 to $4,404. No other increases in the department were recommended.

Mr. Bohlman, a 26-year-old Navy veteran who has been with the department for six years, took over as park foreman only last month, following the retirement of William F. Fitzgerald. He was formerly the department's working foreman.

The substantial raises recommended for Mr. Hebert and his aides are justified, the commission said, because these jobs now entail a much heavier work load than they did when the present salary scale was established. The commission said it was proposing better pay as an alternative to hiring new personnel to handle the expanded recreation program.

The commission also cited comparative salary figures from other U.S. communities. According to the National Recreation Assn., it said, cities in the 50,000-100,000 population bracket have a pay range of $5,542 to $8,520 for their park superintendents and $4,089 to $6,134 for their male recreation supervisors.

CITY OF PITTSFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
AND RECREATION

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids to furnish and install an oil burner located at Springside House, 374 North Street, clearly marked "Oil Burner Bid" addressed to V. J. Hebert, Superintendent, Department of Parks and Recreation, 52 School Street will be received at the above address until 12:00 Noon on December 30 at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Specifications may be obtained at the office of the Superintendent.

The Park Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to accept any bids, if deemed for the best interest of the City to do so.

VINCENT J. HEBERT, Superintendent,
Department of Parks & Recreation.

12-30-53

500 at Springside; Skating Continues

12/28

An estimated 500 children and adults, many of them sporting new Christmas equipment, skated at Springside Pond yesterday. This brought the holiday weekend total at the only area open in the city to more than 1,000, the Park Department said.

Springside will be open today as long as good ice conditions last. It has not yet been cold enough to flood surfaces at the Common, Clapp Park and the Pittsfield High School hockey rink.

Judges View Decorations At 29 Houses

12-22-53

Final Inspection In Yule Contest To Be Wednesday

Outdoor decorations at 29 Pittsfield homes in preliminary judging last night in the annual Park Department Christmas contest. Final judging in the home division, and first, second and third-place winners in the store, commercial building and institution divisions will be made Wednesday night.

Homes considered by the judges last night were those of: George A. Wechter, 114 Lenox Ave.; Miss Myrtice McKay, 336 Wahconah St.; Bernard F. Murphy, 546 Peck's Rd.; Jerry Keehnle, 371 Peck's Rd.; David Condron, 4 Garden St.; Leo Samson, 10 Garden St.; George Gilbert, Broadway; Kenneth P. Krein, Broadway; George Vogel, Hancock Rd.; William Rogers, Elm St.; Edwin Nottke, 100 Livingstone Ave.; A. C. Treece, 422 Pomeroy Ave.; John J. Quinn, 116 Connecticut Ave.; Raymond Morris, 1125 Dalton Ave.

Also: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pulin, 225 Second St.; Mrs. C. F. Vernier, 95 Adelaide Ave.; Francis Chamberlain, 48 Adelaide Ave.; Benjamin Bowers, 99 Cambridge St.; 15-year-old David Monks, 152 Cheshire Rd.; E. S. Hart, 200 Cheshire Rd.; Anthony Zorbo, 158 Meadowview Dr.; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pdzedpelski, 37 Crane Ave.; Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Desmond, 557 Crane Ave.; 17-year-olds Marjorie Clark and William Rollins, 55 Glenwood Ave.; Mrs. John Daniels, 554 West St.; Mrs. Alfred E. Noel, 117 Jason St.; Mrs. Bernard A. Barnes, 230 Hungerford St.; Frank Gogan, 36 Cole Ave.; and Edward Clevender, 30 Lebanon Ave.

Members of the American Legion, its auxiliary, the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club, the Berkshire County arts and crafts group, and the Golden Age Club served as judges in last night's preliminary round of the contest. The Legion will provide judges for Wednesday night's final round.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce will be in charge of judging in the other divisions.

Transportation last night was furnished by Arthur Bradway, Mrs. Lewis Richards, Miss Margaret Stanley, Mrs. Marguerite Boland, Jules Pozzetta, Alfred Clark, Lawrence Mahoney, David Murray, Mrs. Raymond Needham, John Wicks and Mrs. Harold Halley.

Bill Fitzgerald Honored By Friends and Officials

William F. Fitzgerald's idea of a retirement party on completing his duties as maintenance supervisor for the Parks and Recreation Department was to get his working crew together and have "maybe a Coca-Cola or two." His idea materialized all right but on a much larger scale than he had imagined. His crew turned out and so did many other friends—some 140 in all—last night at a testimonial dinner at the GEAA club house. They told Bill what a good fellow he was and is and presented him a gold wrist watch and purse.

No head table was planned for this party because, as toastmaster Vincent J. Hebert, supervisor of parks and recreation confessed at the outset, there were so many of Bill's friends that should be seated that there just wasn't room. However, they did have a head table as a matter of convenience in conducting the speaking program but they didn't limit the speakers to those that were seated there. Toastmaster Hebert called on the following for brief remarks:

14 Speakers

Jackson J. Perry, former supervisor of parks and recreation, who drove up from Leominster; Philip C. Ahern, representing Mayor Capeless; State Senator Silvio O. Conte whose wife, the former Corinne Duval was employed in the Parks and Recreation Department, before her marriage; City Councilman Roy F. Brown, who was in the Civilian Conservation Camp, Pittsfield State Forest when Bill Fitzgerald was forester there; William J. Carrigan, chairman of the Park Commission; Roger O'Gara, Eagle sports editor; James H. Lucas, executive vice president of the Chamber of Commerce; John Lyons, WBEC sportscaster and former St. Joseph's High coach.

Also Dan Haly, WBRK sportscaster and baseball and hockey coach; Monroe B. England, former Park Commission chairman; Cornelius J. McMahon, representing the Pittsfield High Athletic Assn.; Frank J. Gallipeau, representing the parks maintenance crew; Edward V. Dillon of the Park Commission; and W. Rankin Furey, treasurer of the Pittsfield Baseball Club in the Canadian-American League.

Nearly all of the speakers referred to Bill's loyalty and devotion to the job. Mr. Hebert said Bill was "a man who measures time by service" and "a man who has no enemies." Mr. Ahern told the guest of honor "You have given to us much more than we can give to you."

Roger O'Gara's recent tribute to Bill in his "Fair or Foul" column was quoted extensively as reflecting the views of many other friends.

Mr. Carrigan spoke of Bill as a tireless worker and said that the loyalty of his workers reflected his leadership and the esteem in which he was held.

Although Bill plans to go to Florida he assured everyone that he doesn't intend to make that his permanent home. In acknowledging the testimonial and gifts he said that he would be back and that if at any time he could be of help he would gladly offer his services. He gave full credit to his working crew, Park Department associates, and "volunteers," both men and women, for whatever he had been able to accomplish in keeping the parks and recreation areas of the city in top shape.

Bill received many messages of congratulation and good wishes including a telegram from the New England Park and Recreation Assn. He also received a gift from the Pittsfield High School Athletic Assn., presented by Mr. McMahon.

Mrs. Fitzgerald, the former Louise Viale, was given a corsage, and she and Bill greeted the guests individually after the party.

Henry Bonnet, supervisor of recreation, was in charge of arrangements for the testimonial.

RETIREMENT HONORS were heaped last night on William F. Fitzgerald, second from left, who will leave his post as Park Department maintenance supervisor tomorrow. Bill was honored by 140 friends and fellow workmen at a banquet at the GEAA. With him here, in the usual order, are his twin brother, Joseph L. Fitzgerald; his wife, the former Louise Viale; and Edward V. Dillon of the Park Commission.

SUPERVISORY SESSION was conducted informally at last night's retirement banquet for William F. Fitzgerald, Park Department maintenance head. Chatting, left to right, are Vincent J. Hebert, Park Department supervisor; Jackson J. Perry, former superintendent who drove up from Leominster; and William J. Carrigan, Park Commission chairman. The event at the GEAA was attended by 140.

Yule Decorations Judging To Start Sunday Night

12-17-53

Preliminary judging in the Park Department's annual citywide Christmas decoration contest will take place Sunday night at 7. Final judging will be Wednesday night at the same time.

The American Legion, its auxiliary, the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club, the Berkshire County arts and crafts group and the Golden Age Club will be in charge of judging winners in the home division. The Junior Chamber of Commerce will judge store window decorations in the commercial building and institution division.

Neatness, effort, arrangement, color qualities and over-all Christmas theme are the main points to be considered by the judges.

The city will be divided into 11 zones, and residents who wish to be included in the contest should leave their names and addresses at the Park Department office, 52 School St.

Archery Club To Be Formed Tuesday Night

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An archery club for adults is being organized by the Park Department, and archers interested in joining should attend a meeting Tuesday night at 7.30 in the basement of the Holland Furnace Co., 37 Bradford St.

A group of about 15 people has already met twice and plans are in the works for constructing an indoor target range. It is hoped to have the range ready for use by Tuesday night's meeting. When the club becomes large enough, officers will be elected and formal competition will be held.

Those interested in any phase of archery, be it target shooting, field shooting or hunting, are welcome to join the club. There is no fee, but archers are urged to bring their own equipment A limited supply of equipment is available to people who do not have their own. Instruction for beginners will be given.

Concessions Bids Sought by Park Dept.

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Sealed bids for the operation of concessions at five winter sports areas at the Common and Springside, Deming, Clapp and Osceola parks are being accepted by the Park Department.

Specifications and formal applications may be obtained at the Park Department office, 52 School St. All bids will be opened publicly at 5 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 16.

The superintendent of the Park Department and the Park Commission reserve the right to accept or reject bids according to the best interests of the city.

Abby Lodge Community Center Opens Tomorrow

12/1/53

The Park Department announced today that its winter community center at Abby Lodge will open for the season tomorrow night. Hibbard School center will open Thursday evening.

Abby Lodge will be open every Wednesday night from 6:30 to 9:30. The three-hour period will be divided into the following sessions: Children 6 to 9 from 6:30 to 7:30; 10 to 12-year-olds from 7:30 to 8:30; and those over 13 from 8:30 to 9:30.

Movies will be shown the last Wednesday of each month, and special events for teenagers will be held throughout the winter. Regular evening programs will consist of games and crafts.

Facilities at the Hibbard School center will be available every Monday and Thursday nights from 6:30 to 9:30. Girls will use the center Monday, boys on Thursday. Team sports, games and crafts will be included in the program. The schedule follows: Children 6 to 9 from 6:30 to 7:30; 10 to 12 from 7:30 to 8:30; and youngsters over 13 from 8:30 to 9:30.

Activities at both centers will be supervised by Park Department personnel. The areas will be open each week, except holidays, until the end of March.

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Crowds Line North Street for Yule Lighting Event

Band Plays As Santa Rides Into Town

The Christmas shopping season got off to an official start promptly at 6 last evening when Mayor Capeless threw the first of three switches lighting up the Christmas decorations across North Street.

The throwing of the switch also started Santa Claus on his annual pre-Christmas tour of Pittsfield. He made the trip in the back seat of a green convertible behind the Pittsfield High School Band.

A mixed crowd of shoppers and watchers lined North Street from Wahconah to Park Square to see the parade. Council President Patrick E. Callaghan had the honor of throwing the second switch to light up the second series of lights while Councilman Harvey E. Lake pulled the final switch to complete the operation.

Fitzgerald Lights Tree

At Park Square William F. Fitzgerald, who retired on Wednesday as Park Department maintenance supervisor, came out of retirement to turn on the lights on the giant Christmas tree in the center of the park.

There was no way of estimating the crowd, James H. Lucas of the Chamber of Commerce said this morning. The street was lined with people who came to shop and others who came solely to see the parade and the lights. North Street merchants have reported that the shopping crowd was larger than expected.

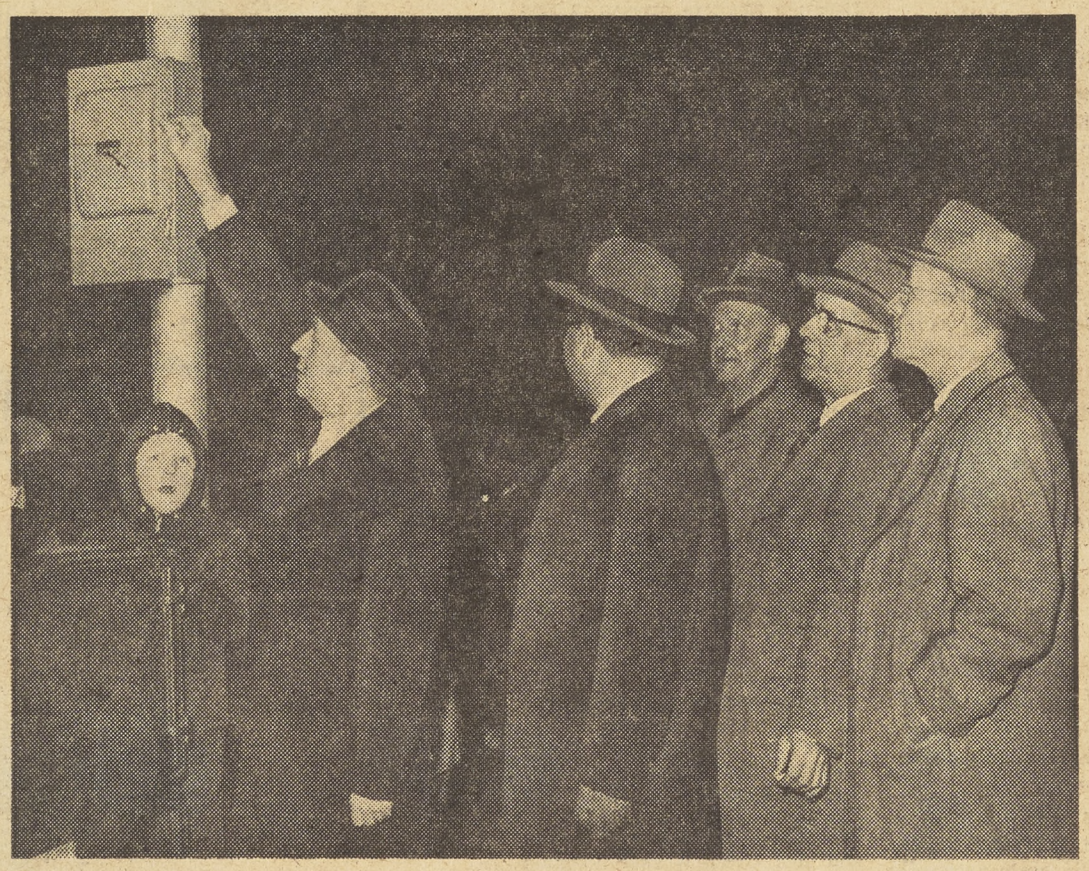
Sammy Vincent, chairman of the merchants committee of the chamber, reported that the decorations seem to have been well received. His group is now concentrating on raising about $8,000 which is needed to pay for the decorations. About $7,000 has already been pledged.

Poles Have Other Uses

Mr. Lucas pointed out that the poles and the wires would be available for other uses in addition to supporting the Christmas decoration. He said they could be used for convention banners and other special events.

Several individuals have already made contributions to the fund to pay for the decorations. Mr. Lucas added that he hopes other individuals will also contribute since the decorations are a civic project. Once they are paid for, he explained, the chamber will turn them over to the city as it did for the Christmas decorations now used by the Park Department in Park Square.

Police Chief Calnan had a score of Civilian Defense auxiliary policemen on duty to assist the regular force in handling the extremely heavy traffic which followed the parade.



CHRISTMAS LIGHTS illuminated North Street for the first time during the holiday season last night as Mayor Capeless pulled the switch. Left to right in the foreground are the mayor, Sammy Vincent, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce merchants committee; Patrick E. Callaghan, president of the City Council; and Harvey E. Lake, city councilman. Mr. Callaghan pulled the switch on the second section of lights and Mr. Lake on the third. Both sides of the street were lined with spectators as the lights went on and Santa rode into town to the accompaniment of music by the Pittsfield High School band.

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Park Department Considers Move To Springside

Supt. Vincent J. Hebert said today there was a possibility that the Park Department may move from its present location at 52 School St., the City Hall Annex, to Springside House at Springside Park.

He said such a move might be made to provide room for another city department in the offices now occupied by the Park Department. However, he indicated there were no definite plans as yet for such a change.

Mr. Hebert, who lives with his family in an apartment at Springside House, said he thought there was plenty of room there for the administrative operation of his department.

He said the plan had been discussed with Mayor Capeless and other city officials, but that the Park Commission has not acted.

The Commission was scheduled to meet today to consider the department's proposed budget for 1954. Mr. Hebert said the matter of moving may be discussed also.

12-12-53

Yule Decorations Contest To Be Held Here Again

Members of the American Legion, the Legion Auxiliary, the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club, the Berkshire County arts and crafts group and the Golden Age Club will serve as preliminary judges for this year's city-wide Christmas decoration contest. The judging will take place Dec. 20.

Final judging will be Wednesday, Dec. 23, and will be handled by American Legion members who did not serve as preliminary judges.

The city will be divided into 12 zones. All residents wishing to enter should notify the Park Department of names and addresses.

Awards will be given to winners in home, store window, and commercial building divisions. Mrs. Alfred Clarke was appointed chairman of the judging committee at the group's first meeting last night. 12-11-53

Skating Today At Springside

There is skating today at Springside Park and may be tomorrow at the Common, the Park Department reported this morning.

12/19/53

Park Skating Today

The Park Department said there was ice skating today at the Common, Springside Pond and Osceola, Clapp and Deming Parks. Ski classes for children and adults will be conducted tonight from 6:30 to 9:30 at Clapp Park.

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Viewing the proposed raises for Park Department Superintendent Vince Hebert and his cohorts only from the standpoint of the rugged hours they put in, the boosts seem pretty reasonable . . .

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will be made Saturday.

Skating at Springside

The Park Department said that Springside Pond was the only area in the city with ice good enough for skating today. 12. 30. 53

Park Dept. Had Busy Year; Daniel Martin Heads Board

12-29-53

Unofficial statistics contained in a year-end report revealed today that an estimated 380,457 persons attended or participated in Park Department activities in 1953.

The figure was somewhat lower than the 1952 total. Supt. Vincent J. Hebert attributed the decline primarily to poor weather that kept swimmers from city pools and beaches on several summer weekends.

The report was presented at the final Park Commission meeting of 1953 at which Daniel E. Martin was named chairman to succeed William J. Carrigan. George P. Clayson and Edward V. Dillon were the other members of the commission present.

Daniel E. Martin

161,600 Children

Mr. Hebert reported that approximately 161,600 children visited department playgrounds and 116,176 persons used city beaches and pools during the year.

Other statistics showed that 2,566 reservations were made for picnic facilities, 5,784 picnic kits were loaned, 4,800 attended band concerts, 1,100 were present at teenage dances and 3,500 used community centers at Abby Lodge and Hibbard Schools.

Approximately 5,504 participated in Park Department winter sports activities which included the carnival ball, interscholastic ski meet, Berkshire Hills speed skating meet, carnival square dance, city sled races, city ski meet, city skating meet, winter sports equipment sale, ice fishing derby, ski and figure skating instruction and speed skating club program.

Athletic programs such as softball leagues, county junior baseball, Little Leagues, bowling leagues and tennis instruction drew 9,595.

Halloween Biggest

The report said the biggest special event of the year was the annual Halloween parade which drew an estimated audience of 50,000. In addition, 2,000 participated in the Easter egg hunt, and 265 in the Christmas celebration.

A weekly young adult program at Springside House drew an aggregate attendance of 3,380, while 325 took part in other activities conducted by that group.

Golden Age Club attendance reached 13,220, while many city agencies used the department's professional recreational consultant service in planning parties, banquets and dances.

Over and above its regular duties of landscaping, snow removal, refuse disposal and building repairs, the department's maintenance division completed several special projects in 1953.

Maintenance Busy

The maintenance crews accomplished the following:

Erected a ski tow at Clapp Park.

Constructed 11 permanent concrete benches.

Painted cyclone fences at two parks.

Constructed two Little League baseball fields.

Supervised installation of fences at three Little League areas.

Relocated a large baseball diamond at Deming Field.

Moved equipment at three playground areas.

Cut a new ski trail and sliding area at Osceola Playground.

Cleared rocks from public beaches at Onota and Pontoosuc Lakes.

Brushed out a new roadway site through Springside Park.

Assisted in the construction of a new section of Lakeway Drive at Burbank Park.

Committee Seeks Building For City's Senior Citizens

12/15/54

"Our major project for the coming year will be seeking to establish a center for the senior citizens of Pittsfield," George F. Ames, chairman of the senior citizens Committee of the Pittsfield Community Council, announced last evening at a meeting at the Unitarian Church.

"Our people over 65 need a building they can call their own, where their own needs and interests can be considered above the availability of space," Mr. Ames said.

He pointed out that 5,115 people of the 53,348 in Pittsfield are 65 or over. This constitutes nearly 10 per cent. The trend here, as throughout the United States, will be toward an even larger percentage of the total population in the over-65 age group. This has serious financial and social implications, he said.

Oldsters Major Asset

"We should recognize that older people constitute a major asset to the community. We need to create more opportunities for senior citizens and to encourage people of all ages to prepare for old age," Mr. Ames remarked.

Mrs. Sumner M. Gamwell, chairman of the subcommittee on problems of senior citizens announced that the first project of her committee will be a series of musical programs, beginning in January at the Unitarian Church and using talent available in Pittsfield.

Problems for preparing for retirement, both financial and recreational, will be considered by Frederick L. Roxborough's subcommittee.

The Rev. David R. Kibby is chairman of a subcommittee on problems of the handicapped and disabled.

A brief history of the formation of the committee on senior citizens was given by Mrs. Gladys A. Brigham, executive director of the council.

Needs Outlined

In the discussion from the floor which followed outlining the work of each subcommittee, several needs were pointed out by members of the audience. Among the needs mentioned were financial security and more legislation toward that end, the need for a lounge for senior citizens, re-employment facilities, rehabilitation projects, greater responsibility on the part of industry for its pensioned people, and more consultants for older people on various problems.

Members of Mrs. Gamwell's subcommittee are Mrs. Wayne E. Birchard, Mrs. Alfred E. Clark, Mrs. David M. Cullen Jr., the Rev. Robert B. Dennett, Vincent J. Hebert, Mrs. Julia G. May, Mrs. Donald S. MacKenzie, Arthur W. Pierce, Mrs. John B. Skole, Mrs. Harry C. Stanley, Mrs. Elizabeth Stirrat, and Mrs. Theodore R. Walters.

Members of Mr. Roxborough's committee are Mrs. Louis S. Cusato, Frank J. Moglia, William A. Knoblock, Paul K. Fodder and John L. Hawkins.

Members of Mr. Kibby's committee are Mrs. Madeline K. Maynard and Dr. Willys M. Monroe.

About 45 people were present at the meeting which was preceded by a Dutch treat supper.

For Faster Rescues

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

While the iron is hot, don't you agree that a city of 50,000 needs a rescue squad it can depend upon.

We have a civil defense truck, but it is not equipped for drownings, has no means of immediate response for many emergencies, and is of no more value than our fire and police apparatus. I am not saying that our Fire and Police Departments are not efficient as we have without doubt the best.

Vincent Hebert's services as chief of the Civil Defense rescue unit, is appreciated, but Mr. Hebert's job is not sitting around waiting for a rescue call.

We should expend the necessary funds to buy and equip an ambulance to respond to all emergencies regardless of type, and have men on duty at all times, preferably a first-aid man on each shift and one other that could be a fireman on duty in the same station where the vehicle could be housed.

I wish that Chief Calnan would repeat the procedure the police have to go through in order to go to a lake for a rescue or to an accident that requires more than the driver of the ambulance.

The Fire Department is no better off, with the exception that they are in a position to respond on call rather than have to pick up their personnel.

ARTHUR E. GILLETTE.

Pittsfield.

1-4-54

Carol Singing Opens Tonight In Park Square

The Park Department said today it will sponsor group Christmas carol singing tonight and tomorrow night from 7:30 to 8:30 at Park Square. Various clubs, organizations and church groups will participate.

As in the past, words to well-known Christmas songs will be shown on a large screen so that anyone can join in the program. Before the singing starts, favorite carols will be played over a public address system.

The following groups will sing tonight: The Camp Fire Girls at 7:30, the Girls' Club at 7:45, and St. Joseph's School at 8:15. Tomorrow night the Women's Club will sing at 7:30, the Girl Scouts at 8, and the Orpheus Choir, under the direction of Jack Phillips, at 8:15.

The Park Department extends an invitation to all to join in the singing.

12-21-53

He was not hospitalized.

As a result of the tragedy both police and the Park Department have issued warnings about the thin ice. A Park Department station wagon was on patrol at the lake this afternoon, broadcasting the warning over an amplifying system on the roof.

In Brief . . .

12-30-53

With a long and impressive athletic background including the captaincy of the Syracuse basketball team, new Chairman Dan Martin will know what he's talking about when the sports phase of Park Department activity comes up . . .

Springside Pond Offers Skating

1-4-54

Springside Pond is the only area in the city offering ice skating. The Park Department said the Common and the Pittsfield High School hockey rink were being flooded and would be ready for use shortly, providing the weather remains cold.

Miss Sugden Resigns As Park Dept. Clerk

2-10-54

Miss Ethel Sugden of 15 Hull Ave., junior clerk and bookkeeper for the Parks and Recreation Department, has resigned and will move to Maryland to live with her sister. She will complete her duties today.

Miss Sugden, who has been with the department since April, 1948, has done "a tremendous job and will be greatly missed," Vincent J. Hebert, department superintendent, said. He will ask the Civil Service Department to provide an eligible list from which the appointment of a successor can be made.

Hebert Will Address Exchange Club Meeting

Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the Park Department, will be a guest at a meeting of the Pittsfield Exchange Club at 6:15 tomorrow evening in the Berkshire Restaurant. He will discuss plans for this year's Easter egg roll.

Herman A. Clement will be chairman of the event, which is sponsored by the Exchange Club in cooperation with the Park Department.

2-8-54

Skiing Outlook Is Good For First Time This Winter

1-7-54

Prospects for the first local skiing weekend of the season looked good today as a succession of snow flurries brought a cover of about four inches to the Pittsfield area with the probability of an additional inch tonight and tomorrow.

The snow was light and powdery, the kind skiers like, and the temperature outlook seemed to give assurance that it will stay on the ground for at least several days. A low of 18 degrees is predicted for tonight, and it is expected that the temperature won't go over 25 tomorrow.

Bousquet's ski area on Tamarack Road issued the first local ski report of the winter this morning. The area said as much as three inches of new snow had fallen on some slopes and that "one or two" rope tows may begin operation Saturday.

The management at Jiminy Peak in Hancock, announced at noon today that it will start running its 2,300-foot T-bar lift tomorrow. The area reported it had up to 10 inches of snow on its trails and slopes and conditions ranged from fair to good.

Other county lift areas said there was no skiing as yet, but reports indicated improved conditions on Mt. Greylock and at the Pittsfield State Forest.

The snow was considerably less welcome at the Public Works Department, which has had a full complement of plows and sanders on the road since early last evening.

Streets in the business section were plowed starting at 11 last night. Since 5 this morning about 25 plows—most of them hired from contractors—have been working on residential streets and outlying areas.

According to the weather station, an additional inch and one-half of snow fell last night, bringing the total fall in the last two days to just under four inches at the Airport. There was considerable variation in depth in different parts of the county, however.

The weather station predicted a little in-and-out sunshine this afternoon, followed by heavy clouding and more snow flurries tonight.

Break for Skaters, Too

The continued cold weather is also good news for skaters. According to the Park Department, there is good skating at three municipal areas — the Common, Springside Pond and Clapp Park. Recreation Supervisor Henry A. Bonnet said additional supervisors, to work either full or part time, were needed at city skating and skiing centers.

The New England ski report listed the best conditions at Vermont's Mad River Glen and Mount Mansfield. Skiing at these points was reported from fair to excellent. The nearest good commercial-area skiing is at Manchester's Big Bromley where conditions were fair to good.

Good or poorer snow was reported in New Hampshire at Mount Sunapee, New London, Laconia and North Conway, and in Vermont at Dutch Hill and Pico Peak.

Firemen Get Wahconah Park For Muster

1/12/54

Borletto's Offer To Build Dugouts at Clapp Park Denied

The Park Commission last night granted the Pittsfield Permanent Firemen's Assn. permission to use Wahconah Park facilities for its annual muster, July 2-5. The request was made by Lt. David J. Cullen, chairman of the event, and was approved with the stipulation that no alcoholic beverages be sold within the premises.

A request by the Buick Tyler Aces through manager Joe Borletto for use of Wahconah Park Tuesday and Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons during the baseball season was tabled by the commission. The board said it could not make a decision until it had received game schedules from the two local high schools.

Borletto was disappointed on another score, for the board turned down his proposal for the construction of dugouts at Clapp Park. The Aces' manager said his organization would build the dugouts, but the commission declined on the grounds it would be contrary to Park Department policy.

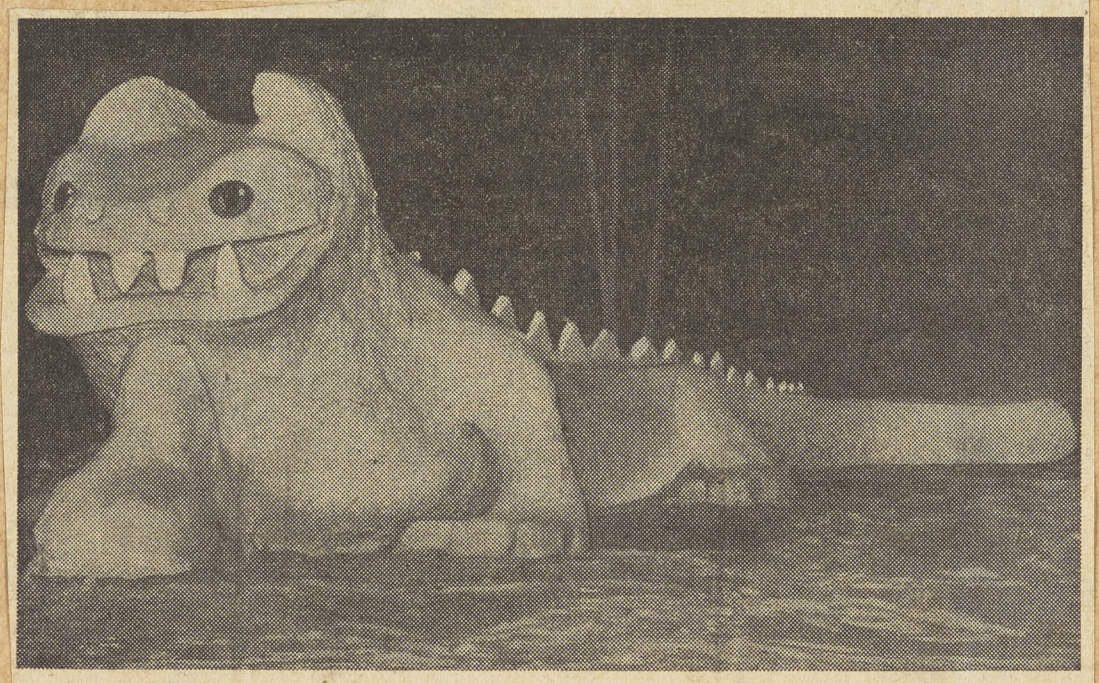
Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert gave a full report on the winter sports programs his department was undertaking this season. He said his department hopes to maintain skating areas at Goodrich Pond and Onota Lake in addition to regular locations at the Common, Springside, Deming, Osceola and Clapp Parks.

Mr. Hebert also reported that plans were progressing on schedule for the annual winter carnival celebration and that all winter sports committees were functioning.

Commissioners present at the meeting were Daniel E. Martin, newly-elected chairman, George P. Clayson and Edward V. Dillon.

Pittsfield, Massachusetts, Friday, January 15, 1954.

SKI INSTRUCTION is but one of the winter programs made possible through the sale of winter carnival buttons. Fifteen winter carnival queen candidates are currently selling the buttons. The instructor is John C. Hitchcock of the Berkshire Ski School which gives the classes each Wednesday and Thursday evening from 6:30 to 9:30 (for youngsters and adults) at Clapp Park and Osceola Playground.



SNOW DRAGON, sculptured by Mrs. Sal Minneci of 100 East Acres Rd., copped first prize of a $10 gift certificate in the Park Department contest. Second prize of $5 went to Philip Knowlton of 715 West Housatonic St., who assembled a rhinoceros, a polar bear and a seal balancing a ball on its nose. The snow-man contest was won by Joan and Phyllis McGee of 20½ Melville St. Ray Churchill, chairman of the event, headed the board of three judges.

2/15/54

Congratulations to Queen Ann Driscoll, who is continuing the tradition of leading in both the button selling and the popular vote started by Irene Lanthier, who is now Mrs. William Tague and as of Jan. 30 may be referred to as the Queen Mother . . . Incidentally, the queen and her attendants also should get a word of praise for sportsmanship. Anybody willing to try to compete with as winning a couple as Nancy Cetti and Bennett George, the pint-sized flower girl and crown-bearer respectively, is a good sport . . .

2-13-54

LEGAL NOTICES

CITY OF PITTSFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
AND RECREATION

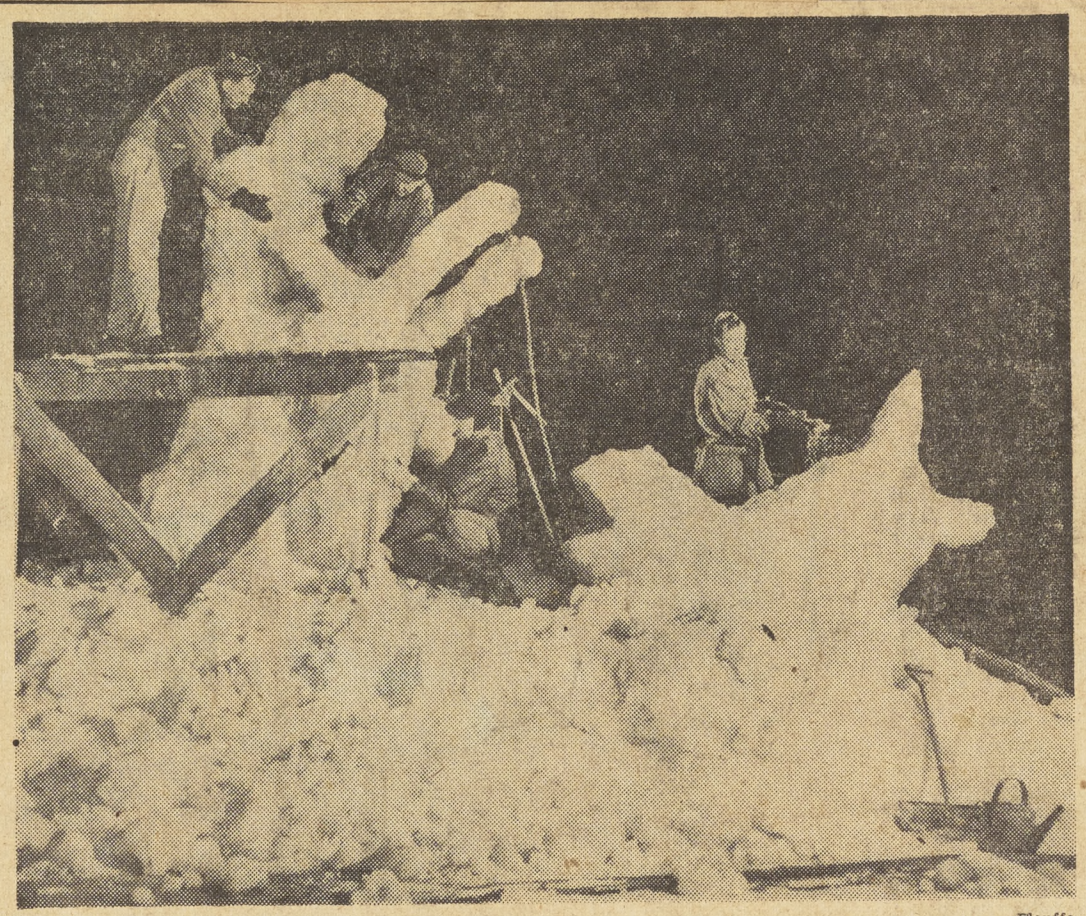
Sealed bids to perform the work needed to repair the roof on Springside House, 874 North Street, addressed to the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, Pittsfield, Mass. and clearly marked—Springside House Roof Repairs—will be received in the office of the Superintendent, 52 School Street until 4:00 p.m. on March 15 and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read.

The Superintendent reserves the right to reject any and or all bids, or to accept any bids if deemed for the best interest of the City to do so.

Specifications may be obtained at the office of the Superintendent, 52 School Street.

VINCENT J. HEBERT, Superintendent,
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
AND RECREATION.

3-4-54



Plouffe

PARK SQUARE SCULPTURE: Here, moulded in snow, is an ice fisherman. Working on the project, a symbol of this year's Park Department's winter carnival, are, left to right: William Irvin, William Klyce, George H. Smith and Ray Churchill. The fisherman is one of many snow figures to be seen during the city-wide snow sculpturing contest which begins Sunday. Three cash prizes, $10, $5 and $2, will be awarded winners in the snow man and general sculpturing divisions, to be judged next week.

Billy Smith Wins Downhill To Help PHS in Ski Meet

1-31-53

Billy Smith, Pittsfield's versatile skiing star, swept to victory in the Berkshire interscholastic downhill race this morning as he zoomed down the difficult Ghost Trail at the state forest in 58.4 seconds.

Smith not only boosted the Pittsfield High School team standing in the four-phase meet, but he also added to his own laurels. He placed second in the cross-country race yesterday, and won both the downhill and cross-country events in the 1952 interscholastics.

Second place went to Doug Wilde of Williamstown High, who sped down the tricky run in 59 seconds flat. Collins Pomeroy, captain of the PHS ski squad, finished third with the time of 60 seconds. Fourth position was taken by Berkshire School's John Cluett Jr., with the time of 60.2 seconds. Cluett won the cross-country yesterday.

The most outstanding feature in this morning's downhill, however, was pretty Joan Kelley, a 15-year-old sophomore at Miss Hall's School. Miss Kelley outraced many of the male competitors to finish fifth with a time of 61.2 seconds. Miss Kelley recently returned here after participating in a free United States Eastern Amateur Ski Association training course at Franconia, N.H.

She is representing the Mount Greylock Ski Club's girls' team in the interscholastics.

Record Racing Field Entered In Interscholastic Ski Meet

1-29-53

Annual Winter Carnival Event Opens Tomorrow Morning at State Forest— Cross-Country Race Is Slated First

By JOHN VANDER VOORT

Seventeen teams from 14 schools in New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts are entered in the 12th annual Berkshire interscholastic ski meet, scheduled to begin tomorrow morning at 10 at the Pittsfield State Forest.

The four-phase event, sponsored by the Park Department's winter sports committee and the Mount Greylock Ski Club, has attracted a field of over 100 junior skiers—the largest number since the meet was first held in 1935.

Competing for the first time this year will be two Mount Greylock Ski Club girls' teams—A and B—composed of young stars from Pittsfield High and other schools.

Cross-Country First

Don West, the chairman of the race, announced today that the opening event tomorrow morning will be the cross-country race over the 2½-mile Hawthorne Trail. This will be followed at 1.15 PM by the slalom competition on the Lulu Open Slope. The downhill race will take place at 10 Saturday morning on the difficult Ghost Trail, while the jumping event will be held Saturday afternoon on the forest's 20-meter hill.

Coach Max Montgomery's A team from Pittsfield High swept the interscholastics last winter with 391.1 points by taking first in three events—the downhill, slalom and cross-country—and second in the jumping.

Billy Smith, now a 17-year-old senior at Pittsfield who will race again this week end, won the downhill and cross-country races in 1952, and John Howe, who graduated from PHS last June, won the slalom. A Deerfield Academy student, Carl Perry, won the jumping.

Two Pittsfield Teams

Pittsfield High will again enter two teams. A number of A team skiers competed in the interscholastics last year. Other schools which have entered are: Eaglebrook, Lee High, Deerfield Academy, Drury High, Williamstown, Turners Falls, Kingswood Academy, West Springfield, Leominster, Salisbury, Northampton High, Millbrook (N.Y.) High and the Lenox School. Berkshire School and Adams High are also expected to send teams.

Chairman West said last night, after meeting with his race committee, that there was enough snow cover at the state forest to conduct the races. He added, however, that he will inspect the areas this afternoon to make a definite decision. Throughout the history of the interscholastics, poor snow conditions have forced postponement of the races several times.

According to interscholastic rules, a maximum of eight skiers from each school may participate in each event. Team standings are figured on a basis of the best four out of five individual results.

The winning team automatically becomes eligible to compete in the New England interscholastics, to be held this winter, Feb. 20-21, at Berlin, N.H.

Race Officials

Working with Chairman West will be Mrs. George F. Maynard, secretary; George (Doc) Maynard, calculator; Mrs. Winthrop P. Gutman, registrar; Mr. Gutman, chief of course; Mr. and Mrs. William Litty, gatekeepers; William H. Nesbitt and Max H. Sauter, timers; Mrs. William Fosty, recorder; Carl Fenner, jump measuring; Mrs. William B. Conover, ski patrol; and James Snell, co-director of the Berkshire Ski School, who will set the slalom course.

Charles Parker and Larry Briggs, the president of the sanctioning United States Eastern Amateur Ski Association, will judge the jumping competition.

Mrs. Orville Wilkinson and Mrs. Carl Fenner will serve hot soup and chocolate to the contestants during lunch hours.

Engraved medals will be awarded to skiers winning first, second and third places in each of the four events, and a plaque will go to the team with most combined points. In addition, each member of the winning team will receive a gold medal.

Plouffe

STARTING YOUNG: Mrs. Winthrop P. Gutmann checks nine-year-old Gail Munson's equipment as other pupils watch at the newly-formed ski course for Grade 4, 5 and 6 children which is conducted afternoons at various elementary school grounds and at Clapp Park Saturday mornings. Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the sponsoring Department of Parks and Recreation, stands at the top of the Highland School slope. A novel feature of the course is that skis, bindings and poles are provided by the Park Department.

Pittsfield High Holds Slim Lead in Berkshire Interscholastic Ski Races

Local Team Finishes Second In Both Opening-Day Events

John Cluett Wins Cross-Country Race While Ken Eaton Captures Slalom— Berkshire Second in Team Standings

By JOHN VANDER VOORT

Cross-country and slalom racers on Pittsfield High's A team gained a slim advantage in the two opening races of the 12th annual Berkshire interscholastics yesterday—a margin that will be hard to maintain as the two-day winter carnival event enters its second phase today at the Pittsfield State Forest.

Pittsfield's defending champions accumulated 177.7 points by taking second place in the team standings in both the morning cross-country and afternoon slalom. But the local skiers will be pressed by Berkshire School in Sheffield, which has 172 points as a result of winning the cross-country and finishing eighth in the slalom.

Berkshire a Threat

And Berkshire is considered a power in the downhill and jumping competitions scheduled today.

Top individual honors in yesterday's events went to two out-of-state skiers.

John Cluett Jr. of Troy, N.Y., an 18-year-old senior at Berkshire School, outsped a field of 60 contestants in the cross-country race when he toured the two-mile Hawthorne Trail in 15 minutes and 59 seconds.

And 15-year-old Ken Eaton of East Granby, Conn., a sophomore at Kingswood Academy, Hartford, Conn., won the slalom by skidding down an icy 23-gate course on the Lulu Open Slope in 53.2 seconds. He is the son of Ed Eaton, president of the National Ski Association.

Lanky Billy Smith, a 15-year-old junior at Pittsfield High, placed second behind Cluett in the cross-country with a time of 16 minutes and 36 seconds. Smith, an important factor in the PHS 1952 victory, won the cross-country and downhill then. The course was slightly longer last year.

Cooper Third; Pomeroy Fourth

Preston Cooper of Pittsfield, another Berkshire School skier, was third in 16.44, followed by the Pittsfield captain, Collins Pomeroy, in 16.59, and Charley Gibson of this city, a Deerfield Academy skier, fifth in 17.41.

Other Berkshire County entrants finishing among the first 15 in this tough event were: Bob Barlow of Lee,8th; Bill Hemingway of Drury, 9th; Harry Hamilton of Pittsfield, 10th; and Mark Selkowitz of Pittsfield, 14th.

Selkowitz surprised nearly everyone in the afternoon, however, when he finished with the second fastest time in the slalom. His pace down Jimmy Snell's tightly-gated course was 55.4 seconds, only two more than Eaton's winning time. Billy Judson of Lenox Prep, the son of Dave Judson, owner of the Otis Ridge ski area, was third in 55.6 seconds. Bill Booth of Deerfield was fourth in 55.9, and Herb Clark of Drury was fifth in 56.2.

For the first time in the 18-year-old history of the event, a girls' team is competing in the interscholastics. The team, wearing the colors of the Mount Greylock Ski Club, did remarkably well by finishing 12th out of a field of 16 schools in the slalom.

Speediest Female

Fastest female on the course was pretty Heather Nesbit of Lanesboro, who placed 12th with a time of 61.2 seconds. Jane Whiting was 15th, clocked at 63.8 seconds.

Joan Kelley, a 15-year-old sophomore at Miss Hall's School, ended up 18th out of a field of more than 80 slalom racers. Her time, slightly more than 70 seconds, would have been better had she not spilled at a tight flush near the end of her run.

Conditions for the slalom were particularly bad, for the prescribed course got worse as each racer ground over it. Slalom regulations prohibit altering or repairing a run during a race, because it would be unfair to skiers who have already had their chance.

So bad, in fact, was the snow, that the usual second slalom run was cancelled. Competitors were taking too long, and the field was too large to permit another try.

Skiers With Guts

The majority of skiers entered in the slalom showed they had plenty of guts, but many were lacking the finesse needed to manipulate such a tricky lay-out. Pomeroy, although he showed his superiority in stamina and technique, slipped near the bottom schuss and tore down a slalom pole. He failed to return through the gate and was disqualified.

And Smith, the other local star, took a bad fall halfway down the slope. That slowed his time considerably. Yet, generally speaking, conditions on the Lulu Slope could have been a lot worse. No one was hurt, although several racers missed turns and plummeted into the woods.

Race chairman Don West announced that the downhill on the more-than-a-mile Ghost Trail would be run this morning. It began at 10 AM. The jumping competition, on the forest's 20-meter hill, takes place this afternoon at 1.15.

The summaries:

CROSS-COUNTRY

	Time
1 John Cluett, Berkshire	15:59
2 William Smith, Pittsfield A	16:36
3 Preston Cooper, Berkshire	16:44
4 Collins Pomeroy, Pittsfield A	16:59
5 Charles Gibson, Deerfield	17:41
6 Carl Parker, Eaglebrook	18:06
7 Joshua Edgerly, Berkshire	18:16
8 Bob Barlow, Lee	18:42
9 Bill Hemingway, Drury	18:44
10 Harry Hamilton, Pittsfield B	18:46
11 Dick Ryland, Deerfield	18:51
12 Brooks Stoddard, Eaglebrook	19:02
13 Steve Zavoico, Kingswood	19:04
14 Mark Selkowitz, Pittsfield A	19:17
15 David Farwell, Turners Falls	19:19

SLALOM

	Time
1 Ken Eaton, Kingswood	53.2
2 Mark Selkowitz, Pittsfield A	55.4
3 Bill Judson, Lenox	55.6
4 Bill Booth, Deerfield	55.9
5 Herbert Clark, Drury	56.2
6 Steve Zavoico, Kingswood	57.1
7 Bill Hemingway, Drury	58.8
8 Bill Smith, Pittsfield A	59.4
9 Carl Parker, Eaglebrook	60.1
10 Harry Hamilton, Pittsfield B	60.6
11 Bob Barlow, Lee	60.9
12 Heather Nesbit, Mt. Greylock Girls	61.2
13 Tony Perry, Williamstown	61.6
14 Pete Searl, Deerfield	61.9
15 Jane Whiting, Mt. Greylock Girls	63.8

TEAM STANDINGS
(Slalom and Cross-Country Combined)

	Cross-Country	Slalom	Total
Pittsfield A	89.6	88.0	177.7
Berkshire	93.8	78.2	172.0
Deerfield	85.6	84.3	169.9
Drury	78.0	87.3	165.4
Kingswood	72.5	89.5	162.0
Eaglebrook	81.6	77.3	159.0

INTERSCHOLASTIC VICTORS: Ken Eaton of Kingswood Academy, left, and John Cluett of Berkshire School, were the two opening-day winners in the 12th annual Berkshire interscholastic ski meet at the State Forest yesterday. Eaton, son of the National Ski Association president, won the slalom in 53.2 seconds, while Cluett took the cross-country in 15 minutes, 59 seconds.

Seeley Named Top Skier In City Meet

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2/15/54

Evan Hendricks, Dick Henneberry Combined Winners

Fifteen-year-old Johnny Seeley skied his way to The Berkshire Eagle "skimeister" award for the second consecutive year yesterday as he won both the downhill and slalom in his division in the annual city ski meet.

Only 15 youngsters competed in the meet, part of the ninth annual Pittsfield Winter Carnival and held on the State Forest trails.

Winners in the 12-year-old and under class were, downhill, Edward O'Hearn, 24:3 seconds, Evan Hendricks, 25:4 and John Plankey, third; slalom, Evan Hendricks, 80:4; O'Hearn, 82:2 and Robert Deloye, 89:6. In the 15-and-over class, Richard Henneberry won the downhill in 24 seconds, Michael Ellery, 26; and Lois Bates, 37:2. Slalom, Henneberry, 75:8 and Miss Bates, 87:2.

Behind Seeley in the 15-and-under class downhill was John Carpenter, 24:4; James Riddle, 25:5. Seeley's winning time was 20:2 in the downhill and in the slalom, 59:7, as Riddle finished second in 84:10 and Carpenter was third in 89:9.

Winthrop P. Gutmann of the Mt. Greylock Ski Club and co-director of the Berkshire Ski School was chairman of the meet. Assisting were Mr. and Mrs. William Litty, Robert Deloye, Bartlett Hendricks, Alex Gaylord and Joseph Ridelle. Winners received free tickets to the Jiminy Peak ski area in Hancock as well as trophies and ribbons.

February 2, 1953.

WHO BLAMES THE GROUNDHOG? This ingenious strategy against yesterday's biting cold at Onota Lake during the skating meet indicates that the groundhog was a bright little rodent when he came out this morning, saw his shadow and ducked back for another six weeks of winter. The mummy is Miss Ann Goerlach, who is being sympathetically watched by Nancy Ann Viner, former national midget champion who is just watching races now, and Marcel Archambault.

Tague

SMITH SOARS: Versatile Bill Smith, Pittsfield High junior, takes off on a 45-foot jump to place sixth on the State Forest hill and lead Pittsfield's A team to another victory in the Berkshire interscholastics. Smith was the best performer for Pittsfield, winning the downhill Saturday morning and placing second in the cross-country and eighth in the slalom on Friday. Pittsfield beat Berkshire School by three points to retain its title.

CONNIE DILLON, left, Naval Ordnance Department, and Betty Fox, Chemical Division, try a sneak preview of one of the gifts intended for the winner of the carnival queen's post, in the annual Pittsfield Winter Carnival competition. Gifts on the table are intended for queen and her court. Miss Dillon is the daughter of Robert B. Dillon, order service.

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PHS Takes Interscholastics For Second Consecutive Year

2-2-53

Billy Smith Captures Downhill Event While Dave Farwell Wins Jumping— Berkshire Is Second in Ski Classic

By JOHN HITCHCOCK

Pittsfield High School skiers proved to be selfish hosts as they repeated last year's snatch and walked off with the team championship in the 12th annual Berkshire Interscholastics Saturday at the state forest, topping Berkshire School by three thin points.

It took the best efforts of Captain Collins Pomeroy and junior ace Bill Smith in both the morning downhill on the Ghost Trail and the afternoon jumping to pull the victory out of the bag as the Berkshire skiers, winners of the opening cross-country event, also nailed down the jumping crown. Three of the boys from Sheffield finished in the first five on the 20-meter hill.

The Pittsfield A team's final score in the four events was 354.36, while Berkshire totaled 351.36. Deerfield Academy finished third with 334.60, with Kingswood School of Hartford, Conn., placing fourth with 333.38. Drury High School of North Adams finished fifth in the field of 17 with 333.16. Only 11 of the competing teams entered in all four contests.

PHS Second in Jump

Lean Bill Smith, who won the downhill, came in eighth in the jumping for Pittsfield to help the team clinch second. His equally emaciated teammate Captain Pomeroy, was high man with sixth place after taking third in the downhill. But without their showing in the jumping, Pittsfield would have been out of the running as the next team jumpers were buried way down the list.

Len Lipschitz was 21st, Mark Selkowitz was 27th and Elwell 35th.

A stubby 15-year-old Turners Falls High jumper, Dave Farwell, won the individual jumping honors as he displayed trim form with leaps of 47 and 48 feet. The younger brother of 1952 Olympic Nordic skier, Ted Farwell, was outdistanced by several others, including Lipschitz, but he earned 16 out of a possible 20 points each time on his form.

Saturday's high temperatures had slowed the snow considerably and strong gusts of wind added to the jumpers' troubles, as several hundred spectators watched Farwell battle it out with Berkshire's John Cluett, winner of Friday's cross-country race. Cluett matched the Olympian's brother foot for foot and met him on form with one flight, but he rated only a 15 on his second. The best two out of three tries was counted.

Parker Is Third

Carl Parker of Eaglebrook was third, with Cluett's teammates, Joshua Edgerly and Larry Turnure, in fourth and fifth.

Pomeroy did 43 on his first try and 45 on his second. With no falls, he was out for distance on his final chance and came down at a creditable 47 feet. But a shaky landing gave him a niggardly 13 points for form. Smith was steady in the air, but his best effort was 45 feet. Lipschitz came off the sluggish in-run with hops of 47 and 49 feet in his first two tries and was also out to make or break on his final effort. The crowd knew from his surging take-off that he would threaten the 50-foot mark, but Lipschitz drew up his knees as he touched the snow at 49 and tumbled. A near fall on his other 49-footer saw the judges rate him with a parsimonius 4.

It was up to a Williamstown High dark horse to make the longest leap. Douglas Wylde, whose second in the downhill sparked the College-towners to victory in that event, landed at exactly 50 feet on his second try. With all eyes upon him on his final flight, Wylde couldn't quite make it and was measured at a respectable 47.

Wylde finished ninth, which wasn't bad at all, as this was supposed to be the first time the Williamstown boy had ever jumped in competition.

The Berkshire School team received 94.51 points in the jumping while the Pittsfield A team was second, with 88. Kingswood was third with 84.21, while the Salisbury, Conn., team which competed only in the jump, was fourth in that event with 83.73.

Jumping Judges

President Lawrence Briggs of the USEASA and Charles L. Parker, supervisor of the Mount Greylock Reservation, judged the jumping.

Although finishing first and third in the downhill, Pittsfield's A team trailed Williamstown and Drury in the team standings for its lowest time rating in the entire meet. The team placed second in all other events.

Members of the Mount Greylock Ski Club girls' teams acquitted themselves with distinction as Joan Kelley finished fifth in the downhill with 61.2 seconds time, compared to winner Smith's 58.4. Heather Nesbit was 20th in 67.6 while Lucilla Fuller followed her in 69. Jane Whiting was 27th with 70.8 and Judy Larkin was 38th in the field of more than 75 with 75.8 seconds. The girls, coached by Mr. and Mrs. Win Gutmann Sr., also did well in the slalom.

The Pittsfield High School B team, also coached by Max Montgomery, finished ninth in the four-way standings.

Prizes were awarded in the Ski Lodge at the state forest Saturday after the jumping by Carnival Queen Connie Dillon. Mr. and Mrs. Don M. West of Lanesboro were in charge of the meet.

The summaries:

DOWNHILL

	Time
1. Bill Smith, Pittsfield A	58.4
2 Doug Wylde, Williamstown	59.0
3 Collins Pomeroy, Pittsfield A	60.0
4 John Cluett, Berkshire	60.2
5 Joan Kelley, Mount Greylock A.	61.2
6 Potvin, Drury	62.4
7 Harry Hamilton, Pittsfield B.	63.0
8 Hemmingway, Drury	63.2
9 Preston Cooper, Berkshire	63.4
10 Bill Allison, Williamstown	
10 Terry Spillane, Kingswood	63.6
11 Bill Allison, Williamstown	64.4
12 Kenny Eaton, Kingswood	66.0
13 Clark, Drury	66.2
14 Dave Farwell, Turners Falls	66.4
14 Tony Perry, Williamstown	66.4

JUMPING

	Points
1 Dave Farwell, Turners Falls	138.6
2 John Cluett, Berkshire	135.9
3 Carl Parker, Eaglebrook	134.8
4 Joshua Edgerly, Berkshire	131.6
5 Larry Turnure, Berkshire	131.3
6 Collins Pomeroy, Pittsfield A.	130.1
7 Bob Barlow, Lee	129.9
8 Bill Smith, Pittsfield A	128.9
9 Doug Wylde, Williamstown	128.9
10 Pete Searl, Deerfield	125.1
11 Ed Gay, Turners Falls	122.7
12 Doolittle, Salisbury	121.2
13 Kenny Eaton, Kingswood	120.8
14 Barrett Scoville, Kingswood	118.3
15 Roberts, Drury	112.8

TEAM STANDINGS (4 EVENTS)

	Points
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Skating Championship

Newburgh (N. Y.) Racers Win Berkshire Hills Speed Skating Championship

Feb. 2, 1953

RECOVERY: Eyes open again, Carolyn appears to be all right. She wasn't only one bothered by yesterday's near-zero temperature.

REPOSE: Wrapped in a warm blanket, 17-year-old Carolyn takes a rest after her ordeal in eighth annual Berkshire speed skating meet.

RESCUE: Although she won the race, she needed assistance. Here, three officials carry her off wind-swept course at Onota Lake.

COLLAPSE: Skater Carolyn Crudelle of Newburgh, N.Y., falls to the ice after winning women's intermediate 3/4-mile racing event.

97. Friday, Feb. 6, 1953

Speaking of Skiing

By John Vander Voort

TODAY'S small fry skiers will be the top racing stars of tomorrow.

Nobody is likely to refute that statement, for from the multitudinous ranks of junior enthusiasts have developed the world's best jumpers, cross-country, slalom and downhill racers.

Skiing, especially racing, is not a sport that can be mastered quickly. Slalom and jumping experts have spent years perfecting techniques. Cross-country, while requiring somewhat less skill, places the emphasis on endurance. The downhill calls for a special kind of guts.

But it's experience in each case that pays off. The majority of present-day stars have been skiing since their youth and admit freely that without early training they wouldn't be as good as they are.

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THROUGHOUT the country, particularly here in the East, organized ski groups are doing everything possible to boost potential youngsters. And many of the programs are pushed by veterans who benefited by junior training themselves.

The governing United States Eastern Amateur Ski Association, in the last two years has introduced a program of free training for selected boys and girls who appear to have racing qualifications.

The first trial was held in 1952 at North Conway, N.H., with high school and college skiers attending. The same program on a larger scale was conducted last month at Stowe, Vt. Pittsfield High Captain Collins Pomeroy was one of the lucky 15.

A similar deal was offered to a dozen of the top junior girl competitors. Joan Kelley of Richmond, a 15-year-older, was one of the group. In each instance, the Eastern, in co-operation with ski lodges and lift operators, foots the entire bill, and the kids are polished by the best instructors in the business.

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WHILE NOT as extensive, individual ski areas are adopting similar programs. Stowe allows area youngsters to ride tows for nothing and helps out with a few hours of instruction each week.

Fred Pabst at Big Bromley offers the use of his extensive facilities to juniors twice a week. The Manchester (Vt.) School Department joins the act by furnishing transportation from town to the ski center. Professional instructors donate their services.

In Pittsfield, the Park Department and Mount Greylock Ski Club are co-ordinating in an extensive junior ski plan.

The Park group and the Berkshire Ski School conduct a 10-lesson course during the winter at Clapp Park. Proficiency tests are given at the end of the training.

The local ski club, long an advocate of junior promotion, holds Saturday morning classes at the Pittsfield State Forest. Skiers with years of instructional experience assist.

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THERE ARE TWO junior ski camps in the county — at Otis Ridge and Mandalay in Lee. These places provide packaged deals whereby "campers" can devote an entire week end to skiing.

Catamount, the big development at South Egremont, has a slightly different system. Manager Jack Fischer offers free instruction to all youngsters who purchase tow tickets.

Practically all centers, even if they don't have organized junior programs, let the kids ski at a reduced rate.

Stars who currently are blazing new record on trails around the world started skiing when they were little.

Olympians Verne Goodwin, Jack Reddish, Brooks Dodge and Billy Beck, Austrian Othmar Schneider, who has won nearly every major Eastern slalom race this winter, Pittsfield's Fred Neuberger and Olympic gold-medal winner Andrea Mead Lawrence are only a few.

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WIN P. GUTMANN of Pittsfield, a veteran skier who has been teaching the tricks to juniors for more than 12 years, sums up the importance of junior training this way:

"Get 'em before they know what they're doing, then teach 'em right."

He maintains there is a lot more to the sport than just skiing down a hill. "Junior classes gets the kids outdoors and keeps them healthy too."

Win claims junior skiers have a better chance of becoming experts if they're taught correctly at an early age.

Good skiers, says Win, are like egg salesmen . . . "they learned the tricks of the trade when they were young."

Ski Classes Tonight

The Park Department ski classes will be held tonight for children and adults at Clapp Park from 6:30 to 9:30. There is a possibility that the classes will be concentrated next week in order to catch the snow while it lasts.

There will be skating all day today at Springside and the city skating meet will start tonight on the Common's huge rink at 6:30. The public can use the ice there after the meet.

Skating at Clapp, Deming and Osceola should begin at 4:30 this afternoon as crews have been flooding there all day.

"Better than Sun Valley," and "Who can't ski in this stuff" were some of the exclamations heard at Jiminy yesterday as a small but delighted crew skied as if every run might be their last. 2/10/54

Almost 300 Attend First Annual Carnival Square Dance

A total of 282 participated in public square dancing conducted by the Berkshire County Square Dance Association in co-operation with the winter sports committee Saturday evening in the Sheraton Hotel. The dance, newest addition to the winter carnival program, was sponsored by the Park Department, which hopes to make it an annual event. The dance netted a profit of more than $60. Lawrence V. Loy was master of ceremonies, and callers were Reuben Merchant of Nassau, N.Y., Fred Barker of Londonderry, Vt., and Jim Willis. Mr. Willis' orchestra played.

Sled Races Tomorrow at Clapp Park

2-6-53

Winter Carnival Event Scheduled To Start at 2

Pittsfield children will test their runners on the Clapp Park slopes in the annual Park Department city sled races tomorrow. The winter carnival event will begin at 2 PM.

Boys and girls from 9 to 13 will compete in six events. There will be three races for boys and the same number for girls.

Entries close at 1.30 PM tomorrow and should be addressed to Henry A. Bonnet, Park Department recreation supervisor at 52 School Street.

All racers must be at the park by 1.30 so judges can check sleds.

Gustav Philblad is chairman of the event and will be assisted by County Commissioner John Shea, Lorenzo Herbs Jr., Donald Lutes, Gilbert Smith, Edward Haddad and Thurston Holmes.

Prize ribbons will be awarded to first, second and third-place winners in each age group.

William Day, Linda Gagnier Win Sled Races

2-16-53

William Day, Richard Silvernail and Kenneth Zopf were top winners in the boys' divisions in the city sled races at Clapp Park Saturday afternoon. Day placed first in the 13-year-old group, Silvernail was winner in the 11-year-old group and Zopf had the fastest time in the nine-year-old division.

Charlotte Werner won the nine-year-old girls' race, Barbara Quay was first in the 11-year-old bracket nd Linda Jean Gagnier finished ahead of the pack in the 13-year-old group.

Other winners were: John Granfield, second, and Edward Moyer, third, in the boys' 13 age class; Allen Amazon, second, and Dave Featherston, third, in the 11 age class; Dick Campbell, second, and David Shields, third, in the nine age class; Ann Marie Tassett, second, and Peggy Noble, third, in the girls' 13 age class; Barbara Grace, second, and Pat Mole, third, in the 11 age class; and Susan Mercure, second, in the nine age group.

The meet ended when three-year-old Cindy Douglas followed the last contestant down the slope on her sled.

Gustave B. Pilblad was chairman of the meet, Francis Douglas was starter; Lorenzo Herbs Jr., Edward Haddad, Mrs. Erica Winn and Donald Lutes were the judges; Mrs. Thurston Holmes and Miss Susan Holmes were registrars.

Winter Sports Events Are Rained Out

2-7-53

Weather Cancels City Ski Meet And Sled Races

Rain today forced postponement of two Park Department winter carnival sports events and eliminated most prospects for the first good Berkshire recreational skiing in three weeks.

The Park Department announced this morning that both the city ski meet and the city sled race this afternoon have been postponed until weather conditions permit. The ski meet was to be held at 1 at the state forest; the sled event was to start at 2 at Clapp Park.

Winthrop N. Gutmann, chairman of the ski event, said he inspected the state forest area this morning and the lack of cover on the race courses forced him to call off the meet. He said there was no snow at all on the lower part of the Lu-lu Open Slope, site of the downhill and slalom, and other sections were covered with slush or very soft snow.

He said he thought if the races were held, skiers might possibly hurt themselves or catch cold in the rain.

Snow Going

Vincent J. Hebert, Park Department superintendent, said he inspected the Clapp Park area this morning and found it to be unsuited for the sled races. He said the rain had washed the snow away in many spots.

The ski meet was canceled once before in 1951.

Poor weather also proved disastrous for recreational skiing here. Several major developments said today they will not operate until the situation improves.

Rained out were Bousquet's in Pittsfield, Jiminy Peak in Hancock, Beartown State Forest, Oak 'n Spruce, Sheep Hill and Catamount.

Otis Ridge, G-Bar-S Ranch and Dutch Hill did not report. Joe Graham, manager of the Chickley Alp area at Charlemont, said conditions were fair and he will operate despite a "light" drizzle.

Over Wide Area

The Pittsfield weather bureau said the rain extended north to Canada. Northern Vermont and New Hampshire ski points have enough cover to withstand the showers, however. The forecast called for the rain and mild temperature to last today. It will turn cloudy and cooler tomorrow.

Mr. Gutmann, co-director of the Berkshire Ski School which instructs at the Park Department's junior ski classes, announced that Sandra Garmish, 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Garmish, 94 Holmes Road, has been chosen winner of a trophy to be awarded the skier showing the greatest improvement in the classes.

Mr. Gutman said Sandra successfully completed 16 out of 21 skiing requirements. Her final achievement was controlled side-slipping. She will be presented her award following the city ski meet, when that event is held. The trophy honors Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop P. Gutmann, veteran junior ski instructors in this section.

Winter Sports Season Ends

3-13-53

Park Department Reports Fewer Days Of Skating, Skiing

Consistently poor weather has forced the official close of the Park Department's winter sports season which extended for 46 days and saw 23,768 persons use skating, sledding and skiing facilities at the three public areas in the city — Springside, Clapp and the Common.

Statistics compiled at the end of the season showed that there were 46 days of ice skating at Springside Park as compared to 54 last season, and 32 days of good skiing and sledding at Clapp Park in comparison to 38 in 1952.

An area breakdown revealed that approximately 19,000 enthusiasts skated at Springside and close to 5000 skied and rode sleds at Clapp.

The Springside skating season opened Dec. 28. The area was scheduled to remain open until Sunday, but poor weather this week forced an early closing. The Springside season last winter ran from Dec. 8 to March 9. The Park Department's report showed that more skaters used Springside's facilities during the week of Dec. 28 than any other time. The total for that period came to 4831. Last winter's single-week high was 3378.

The survey, conducted two years in a row, indicates that January and February are the best winter sports months in Pittsfield. More people ski in January, and more skated in February.

The Clapp Park portable ski tow operated 28 days.

Skiing Races For Juniors Are Planned

3-17-53

Park Department To Run Program Next Winter

The Pittsfield Parks Department, in co-operation with a plan fostered by the Western Massachusetts Winter Sports Conference, is going to organize a junior competitive skiing program for boys and girls next winter.

The program will be for youngsters between 10 and 15 years old and will emphasize downhill and slalom racing. Vincent J. Hebert, Parks Department superintendent, said similar programs will be organized in other Western Massachusetts cities and towns and the different groups will compete against each other.

Weekly Practice

The young skiers will practice several times each week, Mr. Hebert said, and will compete in unsanctioned meets on week ends. The plan to offer competitive skiing to juniors was discussed at a meeting of the conference earlier this week.

Mr. Hebert, an active backer of junior skiing programs here, will preside tonight at the annual meeting of the Western Massachusetts Recreational Society at the University of Massachusetts—an organization formed in 1947 composed of private and professional volunteer recreational workers. He is president of the group.

There's Skating Today At Springside Pond

The Park Department said there will be skating later today at Springside Pond. Supt. Vincent J. Hebert said the pond was covered with about two inches of ice early this morning and he was waiting for the surface to become a little thicker before opening the area to the public.

He said the Common, and the Pittsfield High School hockey rink are being flooded and may possibly be open tomorrow.

Springside was scheduled to open at 1:30. 12/24/53

gle, Thursday, Dec. 10, 1953

Winter Sports Jobs Applications Ready

Application blanks are now available at the Park & Recreation Department office 52 School St., for persons desiring employment as winter sports area supervisors and laborers. Applicants must be 18 years old or older.

Positions open include skating, sliding and ski area supervisors, ski tow operators, and laborers for ice making. No experience is needed, although some mechanical ability is desirable for ski tow operators.

Wages for the various positions are as follows: Area supervisors, 90 cents an hour; ski tow operators, $1 an hour; laborers, $1.25 an hour. Hours of employment may be arranged on part or full-time basis, however all positions full or part-time are dependent on weather conditions.

The department, weather conditions permitting, plans to operate a minimum of five skating areas, Springside, Common, Clapp, Deming, Osceola, and two skiing areas, Clapp and Osceola. An estimated 30 positions are open.

gle, Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1953

Carnival Ball Head Named

Christine E. Lammers Directs Event Feb. 12 At Sheraton Hotel

Plouffe

Miss Christine E. Lammers

Miss Christine E. Lammers, a member of the Miss Hall's School faculty, today was named chairman of the ninth annual winter carnival ball on Feb. 12. The announcement was made by Miss Sadie Wowk, chairman of the Park Department's winter sports committee, sponsors of the event.

The ball, at which a winter carnival queen will be chosen, will be from 9 to 1 at the Sheraton Hotel.

Although Miss Lammers is a new member of the winter sports committee, she has been active in volunteer Park Department work for the past two years. She was instrumental in starting the community-ambassador project last spring in Pittsfield, worked on the Halloween committee, and, on a part-time basis, was a community-center recreational leader.

Miss Lamamers, a Barnard College graduate, teaches mathematics and modern dance at Miss Hall's. She was in England last summer as a group leader for the experiment in International Living, and in Germany in 1952.

Park Dept. Names Paul Bousquet to Winter Sports Post

2-8-54

Plouffe

Paul R. Bousquet

Paul R. Bousquet, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence J. Bouquet of Tamarack Rd., succeeds Miss Rosemary A. Monterosso as treasurer of the Park Department winter sports committee this year.

A 1949 graduate of Pittsfield High School, Mr. Bousquet received his degree in commerce and economics from the University of Vermont, where he was vice president of the student government during his senior year, and captain of the ski team.

Presently self employed operating Bousquet's Ski area with his brother, Russell, he also is a ski team coach at Pittsfield High School, and a member of the Community Chest and Council.

This is Mr. Bousquet's first year as an active member of the winter sports committee.

Interscholastic Ski Event Opens Here Tomorrow at 10

2/11/54

The 13th annual Berkshire interscholastic ski meet, a sports feature of the city's winter carnival celebration, will open tomorrow morning at the Pittsfield State Forest. The first of four events will be a 2½-mile cross-country race over a rugged route beginning and ending at the ski lodge.

And in the afternoon, starting at 2, competing skiers from several Western Massachusetts and Connecticut secondary schools, will compete in the downhill race on either the Ghost or Shadow Trails.

Saturday's schedule calls for the jumping portion of the four-phase meet to take place at 9 in the morning at Lenox Prep School, followed by the slalom at Otis Ridge in the afternoon.

The jumping is not being conducted at the state forest this year because the 20-meter hill there was torn down last fall, and a proposed new one has not been built.

According to George F. (Doc) Maynard, the race chairman, the slalom will be held in conjunction with the Berkshire slalom race at Otis Ridge. Skiers may compete in both events simultaneously.

Winter Sports Fans Rejoice As Mercury Slides to 3 Below

2/12

Chilly arctic air forced this morning's official temperature down to three below and the forecast indicated a much colder mark would be set before midnight.

The Weather Bureau said the mercury would slide to 15 below tonight, a frigid 12 degrees lower than the record for the date. And if the anticipated drop occurs after midnight, it will beat the Feb. 13 low by 14 degrees.

Winter's frosty punch will only be a temporary blow, however, for the temperature is due to moderate tomorrow, climbing to a comparatively warm 20 above. It will be even warmer Sunday, but then it will cool off again the first of next week, the weatherman explained.

Other N.E. Readings

It was mighty cold elsewhere in New England this morning, but the chilliest point, as usual, was atop New Hampshire's Mount Washington, where the official reading was 30 below. Other reports showed it was -4 in Caribou, Maine, -2 in Lebanon, N.H., 11 in Boston, and 12 in Providence.

The ice-box conditions, while improving already excellent snow conditions, had a tendency to keep the skiers indoors. Still, record holiday crowds were anticipated at the majority of Berkshire and New England centers, which reported good to excellent skiing.

Lifts and tows at Bousquet's, Jiminy Peak, Otis Ridge, G Bar S Ranch, Mohawk Mountain, Dutch Hill and Oak 'n Spruce were running today. Chickley Alp, the Berkshire Snow Basin, Catamount, Sheep Hill and Jug End Barn will operate tomorrow and Sunday. Bousquet's will run tomorrow night from 7:30 to 10, also.

Major Vermont and New Hampshire locations reported excellent skiing, and said they were running.

Skating at Five Parks

The Park Department said there was skating at its five areas—the Common, Springside Pond, Clapp, Deming and Osceola Parks.

Pittsfield's winter carnival winds up its sports features this weekend with the Berkshire interscholastic ski meet today and tomorrow, the city sled races tomorrow, and the city ski meet Sunday.

Winter Sports Group Plans Outing Sept. 13

8-27-53

The Park Department's winter sports committee will hold an outing Sunday, Sept. 13, beginning at 2 PM, at a place to be announced later.

Friends and families of members are invited. Program for the event includes a picnic, games and dancing.

Winter Sports Committee To Hold Picnic Tomorrow

9/17/53

The winter sports committee of the Park Department will open the season with a picnic at 2.30 tomorrow afternoon at Camp Merrill.

Miss Sadie Wowk, and Sanford Bookless are in charge of arrangements. Anyone interested in attending meetings this year is invited.

Winter Sports Equipment Sale Opens Briskly

12/22

More than 300 persons attended the opening of the annual winter sports equipment sale at Kelsey's Market last night, and more than 200 items were sold for a gross price of $816. The net profit turned over to the winter sports committee was $163.20.

The sale will continue until 9 tonight, and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. tomorrow. Equipment will be accepted for sale until noon tomorrow. Small-size skates and skis are much in demand. Owners receive 80 per cent of the sale price with the remaining 20 per cent going toward winter carnival and local winter sports expenses.

Winter Sports Equipment Sale Opens Tonight

12/21/53

Approximately 300 items, including skis, skates and clothing, will be available when the three-day Park Department winter sports equipment sale opens at 6 tonight at Kelsey's Market, 76 North St.

The sale, conducted yearly by the Park Department's winter sports committee, will run until 9 tonight, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. tomorrow, and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday. Mrs. James Tobin, the chairman, is being assisted by Mrs Maurice Corrinet, Mrs. Raymond Conway and members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club.

Equipment may be left at Kelsey's anytime during the sale. Eighty per cent of the sale price goes to the owner, while the remaining 20 per cent is used for the annual winter carnival and promotion of winter sports in Pittsfield.

Winter Carnival Gets $328 From Equipment Sale

12/24/53

The Park Department's winter sports committee netted $328 from its annual three-day sports equipment sale that ended last night. The money will be used to defray expenses of the winter carnival celebration and winter sports events events in Pittsfield this season.

The sum was nearly $100 more than the net profit from the 1952 sale.

The sale grossed $1,640. Eighty per cent of the sale price went to the equipment owners with the remaining 20 per cent going to the winter sports committee.

Approximately 365 items were sold.

FOUR UP, ONE DOWN is the box score on this group of winter sports lovers capering in silhouette on the Park Department's rink at Clapp Park. For the most part the ice has been good this winter. Some find it hard.

1-23-54

12-31-53

RESCUE OPERATIONS of the new Civil Defense emergency truck are explained by rescue division chief Vincent J. Hebert, left, and Omer Baudreuil, specially trained squad leader, to Pittsfield CD Director W. H. Cooney, Police Chief Thomas H. Calnan and Fire Chief Thomas F. Burke, all in the usual order. The $9,000 truck, available for CD or "limited public emergencies," is garaged at the Peck's Road fire station.

Rescue Truck To Be Housed At Fire Station

The new Pittsfield Civil Defense rescue truck will be garaged and maintained by the CD fire division at the Peck's Road fire station.

The $9,000 truck, equipped for rescue work in virtually any type of emergency, was purchased jointly with Pittsfield CD and federal funds. Its main purpose is to save lives and rescue trapped persons in both CD emergencies (caused by enemy action, natural disaster, explosion or accident) and "limited public emergencies."

It will be operated and manned by the CD rescue division, headed by Vincent J. Hebert, in the former case, and by the fire department in the latter case, supplemented by police and CD personnel if necessary. In all operations the rescue team captain will be responsible for the use of the truck equipment and the technique of rescue work.

Only for Emergencies

The truck will be called only for real emergencies and not minor incidents. It will be used, for example, when one or more persons are trapped in wrecks, collapsed buildings or earth cave-ins. Mayor Robert T. Capeless, CD Director W. H. Cooney or his aides, Chief Hebert, the police and fire department are the only persons or agencies authorized to have the truck dispatched from the fire station.

Calls for the rescue truck for emergencies outside the city will be considered as Civil Defense in nature and will be referred to Chief Hebert or his deputies. The truck will also be used for scheduled drills, parades and public demonstrations. A log book will be kept, describing each trip the truck makes. It is planned to install a fire division two-way radio in the truck for instant communication.

Omer Baudreuil, a Park and Recreation Department employe, has returned from a two-week rescue training school at Olney, Md., and will assist in training the rescue division personnel.

Community Center At Hibbard School Is Open Tonight

1-4-54

Hibbard School Community Center will resume its regular recreational program tonight from 6:30 to 9:30. The program tonight will offer games, team sports and crafts for girls. Similar activities for boys will be offered Thursday evening.

The Abby Lodge center will be open Wednesday night. All activities will be supervised by Park Department personnel.

Executive Treasurer Retires After 24 Years; Mrs. Kirkpatrick Named

9/29/53

Miss Maud Richardson, executive treasurer of the Women's Club of Pittsfield, was honored last night on her retirement after 24 years of service. The turkey dinner was attended by 145 members, including 31 who celebrated August and September birthdays. Miss Richardson will be succeeded by Mrs. Gordon W. Kirkpatrick, who will serve also as assistant secretary.

Born in England, Miss Richardson came to Pittsfield in 1900. With her brother, the late Charles Richardson, she was associated in the furniture business of Richardson & Boden, conducting it after his death until 1929, when she joined the club staff. She had volunteered for the previous seven years as treasurer. A member of St. Stephen's Church, she lives with her sister, Miss Florence Richardson, at 31 Wendell Ave.

Presented a mahogany desk and a table radio, Miss Richardson was made an honorary member of the club executive board and a life member of the club.

Mrs. Kirkpatrick is a native of Iroquois, Canada. She has lived in Pittsfield nine years. After attending Iroquois High School and Charlottesville (Va.) Business School, she was secretary at State Loan Co., Alexandria, Va., for two years and, until recently, in the trust department of the Berkshire Trust Co. An active club member for eight years and of the executive board for four, she has been assistant treasurer for the past 1½ years. She lives on Narragansett Ave.

Reports Made

At the business meeting which followed, Mrs. Mary L. Smith, president, made announcements on the three bowling leagues and on Camp Bluebird. Reports were made by Miss Rose Haddad on the bridge party to be held at the Sheraton Hotel Friday evening; by Mrs. Marcel E. Peltier, executive committee chairman, on the revision of the constitution and bylaws; Miss Marjorie Karner for the Francis Island Committee; and Mrs. Herman S. Braun on the coming membership drive.

Norman C. Najimy, community ambassador to Spain, in the past summer, spoke on his trip. Darklis danced and sang in Spanish costume, accompanied by Chavo.

Volunteer waitresses were the Misses Norma C. Zandrino, Josephine E. Carnevale, Roberta A. Morse, Ina Rennie, Mary V. Tosetti, Madeline C. Boisin, Jean R. Mackie, Mrs. Grace L. Edwards and Mrs. Wilfred R. Hamilton. Twenty-two members were accepted.

Public Events

Tonight

7:30—Young Adults Group meeting and social. Springside House.

9/30/53

Young Adult Group To Plan Hayride Hold Social Tonight

The Young Adult Club of the Parks and Recreation Department will hold a committee meeting at 7:30 this evening at the Springside House.

Reports on the October hayride, the foreign film series, and ballroom dancing classes will be given.

All young adults are invited to the business meeting and the social, which will follow from 9 to 11 p.m.

Foreign Films, Hayride Planned By Young Adults

10/1/53

Plans to sponsor a foreign film series with the Berkshire Museum and to hold a hayride were made at a meeting of the Young Adult Group of the Park Department last night at Springside House. About 70, the largest number ever, attended. Approximately 25 were present at the committee meeting preceding the event.

The film series will be at 8:15 on Tuesday evenings, Nov. 3 and 17 and Dec. 1 and 15, at the Little Cinema of the Museum. Admittance will be by subscription only, and a coffee hour will follow the show. Subscriptions may be purchased at the Museum, the Park Department, or from any member of the group. Miss Dorothy Mitchell reported on the series.

Albert Lerner and Miss Ann B. Kelly, chairmen of the hayride, announced that the event will be Wednesday, Oct. 21, at Kimball's Barn, Lenox, and will take the place of the regular weekly social. Members are to leave at 7:30 p.m. from the Common. Hayride reservations are limited to 75, and may be made before Oct. 19 by calling the Park Department. All young adults may attend a dance to follow at the barn, and no reservations are necessary.

Aces To Use Clapp Park

Permission to use Clapp Park for games on Tuesday and Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons was granted the Tyler Aces' baseball team last night by the Park Commission. However, the commission stipulated that the Aces should relinquish the diamond for high school and American Legion games which may be scheduled on those days.

Manager Joe Borletto of the Aces said his team probably will open its season in the first week of May. He also indicated that he planned to play occasional important contests at Wahconah Park.

Local Women Speak At Wheaton Conference

11-17-53

NORTON — Dr. Jane Hastings, head of the analytical unit of the Pittsfield GE plant and Mrs. Charles R. Jordan, supervisor of recreation in Pittsfield, will be among 33 speakers at a vocational conference today and tomorrow at Wheaton College.

Dr. Hastings will speak on opportunities in the field of chemistry, and Mrs. Jordan, on recreational leadership.

Young Adult Social Set for Tomorrow

The Young Adults of the Park Department will hold their annual Christmas social from 7:30 to 11 tomorrow evening at Springside House.

Don West will head a special activities program, a carol sing will be held, with Miss Betty Minneci as accompanist.

Anyone interested in assisting with decorations is asked to arrive at 7 p.m.

12-22

Young Adult Group Cancels Meeting

12/29

The Park Department Young Adult Group has canceled the meeting scheduled for tomorrow evening at Springside House, because the house is being renovated.

Teachers Listed for Park Police

2-3-54

Special to THE EAGLE

BOSTON—Pittsfield public school teachers are predominant on a civil service eligible list established yesterday for Pittsfield park policeman. The most interesting aspect of the news release from the Civil Service Department is that of the eight men who took the civil service examination last December, two flunked.

The only non-pedagogical eligible is Victor V. DeFazio, 108 East Housatonic St., who is also a crew member for the Berkshire County mosquito control project. When he isn't spraying trees for the county and state, he's guarding them for the city. The others are Edward C. Hickey of 68 Pine St. and his brother, Joseph C. Hickey of 23 Hazelwood Ter., Robert H. Knight, 66 Richmond Ave., William L. McKenna, 13 Second St., and Francis P. Sheridan, 74 Wendell Ave.

Most or all of the new eligibles have been on the park police force as provisional appointees.

The Civil Service Department also has certified for appointment as a junior clerk in the office of City Clerk-Treasurer John J. Fitzgerald at $2,100 a year Mrs. Eva S. Symanski of 103 Appleton Ave. and Miss Mae E. Morrissey of 8 Clifford St.

No Skating

1-26-54

The Parks and Recreation Department reported this noon that there was no skating on any of the city's rinks.

Skiing Instruction At Clapp Park Tonight

The Park Department announces skiing instruction at Clapp Park tonight. Children's class will run from 6:30 to 7:30 and adults, 7:30 to 9.

2-4-54

All Five Areas Open for Skating

1-23-54

Skating facilities at all five Pittsfield locations are in operation today, according to Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert.

He said the rinks at the Common, Springside and Deming opened this morning. Clapp and Osceola were scheduled to open at 1 this afternoon.

Budget Sessions To Be Concluded Tuesday Night

1-28-54

The third, and probably final, City Council hearing on the mayor's 1954 budget requests will be held Tuesday night with Welfare Commissioner Charles H. Hodecker, Health Commissioner Willys M. Moore, and Parks Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert in attendance.

These are the only major department heads whose budget estimates have not yet been reviewed by the councilmen. It is expected that the Council will be ready to take final action on the budget at its next regular public meeting Tuesday, Feb. 9.

Apparently the mayor's record-high budget will go through with little trimming by the Council. At the two budget sessions that have already been held, no specific appropriation cuts were proposed or voted on.

Because of increases in the city's total assessed valuation and a general rise in receipts from non-tax sources, it is expected that the budget, if passed in its present form, will permit the city to retain the $45 tax rate established last year.

Big Winter Sports Weekend Is Assured by Weatherman

Wintery weather reports lent added assurance today that Berkshire skiers and skaters, starting tonight, can look forward to a real "rip-snortin' " holiday weekend.

That was the word to winter sports lovers from the Weather Bureau as it called for extended cold and more snow during the next three days.

Nothing could be nicer for ski lift operators, who now are holding their breath in hope conditions will remain good over the Lincoln and Washington Birthday celebrations —the traditional climax of each season.

'Good to Excellent'

Berkshire centers, from Mohawk Mountain in Cornwall, Conn., to Dutch Hill in Heartwellville, Vt., have good to excellent top-to-bottom skiing. And area owners are counting heavily on slopes staying in shape for the next 10 days.

The three-day Lincoln's weekend gets off to a busy beginning at Bousquet's Ski Grounds tonight, when operators Russ and Paul Bousquet will run their Russell Slope tow from 7:30 to 10. This development will operate all day tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday and, following a pattern set a week ago, on Saturday night from 7:30 to 10.

Jiminy Peak, nine miles from Pittsfield up in Hancock, will run every day as long as conditions permit. This location has had good crowds this week, and expects several out-of-town buses tomorrow.

Williams Carnival

Other major sites at Chickley Alp, Otis Ridge, G Bar S Ranch, Berkshire Snow Basin, Catamount, Beartown, Oak 'n Spruce, Dutch Hill, Mohawk Mountain and Sheep Hill will run the next three days.

The gala Williams College winter carnival, opening tomorrow, shares the spotlight with the 13th annual Berkshire interscholastics in the weekend's competitive picture. The carnival ski schedule calls for a slalom and downhill race on Mount Greylock Saturday, a cross-country race at Savoy State Forest Sunday morning, and a jumping meet at Goodell Hollow Sunday afternoon.

The interscholastics open with a cross-country race tomorrow morning and a downhill race in the afternoon at the Pittsfield State Forest. Jumping competition will take place Saturday morning at Lenox School, while the slalom will be run simultaneously with the Berkshire Slalom at Otis Ridge in the afternoon.

Sledders To Compete

City sledders and skiers will have a chance to show their stuff this weekend, also. The city sled meet, one of several sports high lights of the winter carnival program, will be run Saturday afternoon at Clapp Park, and the city ski meet will open Sunday afternoon at the State Forest.

This should be an ideal weekend for ice skaters, too. The Parks Department said this morning that all five of its areas are open. There's good ice at the Common, Springside Pond, Osceola, Clapp and Deming Parks.

Novice skiers, children and adults, can receive instruction at Clapp Park from 6:30 to 9:30 tonight. The lessons, offered by the Parks Department, are taught by members of the Berkshire Ski School.

Winter Sports Activities Draw 31,180 in the City

Despite unreliable conditions, a three-year-record total of 31,180 youngsters and adults made use of eight Park Department skating, skiing and sliding areas during the 1953-54 winter sports season that ended officially this week.

The figure was considerably larger than the 23,765 total for 1952-53, and the 25,927 total for 1951-52. The season, beginning when Springside Pond opened last Dec. 19, provided 158 collective days of ice skating at five locations, and 78 days of skiing and sledding at three sites. In addition, the newly-installed free ski tow at Clapp Park operated 22 days.

Springside Pond, open for 45 days, received the heaviest traffic. A total of 13,515 skaters used the ice there this winter, and Jan. 10 was the best week of the season. Total participation at all sites reached 7,500, far exceeding the Jan. 6, 1953 mark of 3,378, and the Dec. 28, 1953 record of 4,831.

The five area collective total of 158 days of skating was also far greater than the 46½ days a year ago, and the 83-day total two years ago.

Park Department statistics showed that 53 children participated in figure skating instruction programs at Springside. Two 10-lesson series were conducted by Joseph Franz and Judith Rice, and a third was under way before the ice softened.

A ski instruction course offered two nights a week at Clapp Park by Win Gutmann, Win Gutmann Jr., Ray Churchill, John Hitchcock and Frank Lamont, members of the Berkshire Ski School, drew 46 children and 48 adults.

Third Straight Time

Same Old Problem

Interscholastic Skiing Meet Faces Probable Postponement

Snow Slim on State Forest Trails— Events Will Be Put Off for One Week Unless Conditions Improve Greatly

By JOHN VANDER VOORT

Winter's fickle weather played the part of arbitrator today in determining the immediate fate of the 13th annual Berkshire interscholastic ski meet at the Pittsfield State Forest.

Part of the city's winter carnival celebration, the meet is scheduled to begin tomorrow at 10 a.m. with a cross-country race, the first of four events over a two-day period.

But chairman George F. (Doc) Maynard was increasingly skeptical that the program could start as originally planned. "There isn't enough snow on any trails to hold a decent race," he said pessimistically. "I'm going to wait until late tonight to postpone the meet, however."

If postponed, it will be held a week from now, on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 5-6. And if such a decision is reached, it will mean the committee has to notify the nine competing schools not to come.

Same Problem Before

The interscholastics were faced with a similar problem last year, but at that time there was enough cover to run the races, although the skiers had to shovel snow on some of the worst bare spots.

But this time, according to Maynard, recent rains have washed away nearly all the snow. "There's some base left," he said, "but we need another five or six inches to do the trick."

Pittsfield High's team will enter the meet a decided favorite, principally on the basis of its two consecutive victories. The local skiers won with 391 points in 1952 and nosed out Berkshire School last year.

However, Pittsfield lacks the ing four-event competitor.

Other schools from which entry applications have been received are Berkshire, Williamstown, Lenox Prep and Drury in Berkshire County, and Eaglebrook, Leominster, Northampton and Turners Falls.

Each school is limited to eight-man teams, but only five skiers can compete in each event. The four best times out of the five will count officially.

Following the cross-country race, which will extend over a 2½-mile trail beginning and terminating at the ski lodge, will be the downhill competition tomorrow afternoon at 2 on either the Ghost or Shadow Trails, depending on which is considered in the best condition.

A departure from the usual program will be the shift of the slalom and jumping competition Saturday to the Mount Greylock Ski Club's area at Goodell Hollow in South Williamstown.

This change is mainly the result of the fact that the 20-meter jump at the State Forest has been torn down. Construction on a proposed new jumping hill has not yet started.

Hollow Jump Adequate

Maynard explained that the Goodell Hollow jump is adequate enough for the interscholastics, and that the area has a "good" slalom hill. The slalom will be held in the morning at 10, with the jumping starting in the afternoon at 2.

Pittsfield's closest competition figures to come from Berkshire. The Sheffield skiers finished three slim points behind the winners in 1953. Deerfield was third, followed by Kingswood, Drury, Williamstown, Eaglebrook, Lenox, Turners Falls and Lee, a one-man team.

As has always been

Kids To Race With Sleds At Clapp Park

Boys and girls in three age groups will compete for medals and trophies tomorrow afternoon at Clapp Park in the seventh annual city sled races, a sports feature of the winter carnival.

All contestants should report at the park by 1:30. The first of 13 events will begin shortly after that. The three age groups are for youngsters under 13, under 11 and under 9. There will also be a novelty race for officials, during which the children will have a chance to act as judges.

Race officials are: John Wetzel, Robert Lockwood and Mrs. Stanley Norton, judges; Curtis Tucker, starter; Mrs. Alan Grieve, recorder; and George Hilpold, registrar. Robert S. Schoonmaker is race chairman.

Bill Smith Is Second In Jumping

Pittsfield High School's ski ace Bill Smith, placed second behind David Farewell of Turners Falls this morning in the jumping event of the Berkshire interscholastic meet at Lenox School.

The Turners Falls student racked up 151.8 points to lead the field of 55 high school entrants. Smith placed second with 149.2.

The PHS ace placed first yesterday in the downhill and cross-country events. He was expected to do well this afternoon in the slalom event at Otis Ridge.

Charles Moore of Williamstown High placed third in the jumping with 133.4, and his teammate, Thomas Lawrence, was fourth with 132.8. A Pittsfield High skier, Peter Helliwell, was fifth with 130.6

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Smith Scores Double Victory as P

Versatile Senior Skier Wins Downhill and Cross-Country

Defending Champions Score 183.3 Points In Opening Events—Deerfield Second—Jumping, Slalom Are Scheduled Today

By JOHN VANDER VOORT

Billy Smith, a tall young man whose speed and technique seem to improve each time he puts on his skis, was the main reason why Pittsfield High stood at the head of the pack today in the 13th annual Berkshire interscholastics.

Paced by Smith, its 17-year-old senior captain, Pittsfield ran up a percentage total of 183.3 points in the opening events at the State Forest yesterday, and appeared well on the way toward winning its third consecutive championship. The nearest competition in the second-half races was likely to come from runnerup Deerfield Academy, whose skiers massed 171.2 points.

Training Pays Off

Smith, who only recently completed an advanced racing course at Stowe, Vt., scored an impressive double victory in the cross-country and downhill contests. He was almost two full seconds faster than anyone else in the Nordic event as he completed the exhausting 2½-mile pattern in 18 minutes, 23 seconds. And his 1-minute, 8-second downhill run on the pitching Shadow Trail topped the field by three ticks of the stopwatch.

With these triumphs already a matter of record, Smith was a good bet for four-event skimeister honors as the meet advanced into its final day. The jumping was scheduled this morning on a 15-meter hill at Lenox School, followed by the slalom this afternoon at Otis Ridge.

Miller Collins of Lanesboro, a Berkshire School student, was Smith's closest rival in the cross-country. He traveled the up-and-down trail, beginning and ending at the state ski lodge, in 20:26. He was followed by Charley Beck of Deerfield, 21:01; Jimmy Pease of Turners Falls, 21:16, Eric Lattiner of Pittsfield, 21:31; and Peter Ryland of Deerfield, 21:38.

Cold Bothers Racers

Fifty-eight skiers from 18 schools raced in this gruelling event, which was even more difficult yesterday because of the intense cold. Everyone finished, even though there were many numb faces and hands, and the highest time was something in excess of 46 minutes.

But the real test of stamina, technique and endurance was in the afternoon's downhill race on the mile-long Shadow Trail, made extremely exacting by the weather which hardened the snow to near-ice proportions.

Spills and thrills marked the descent of many of the 90-odd racers. And while there were no serious mishaps, several of the juniors suffered minor scratches and bruises as they missed a turn or bump and pitched into the trees. Joan Kelley of Richmond, one of the favored and more experienced female stars, was making good time until she skidded on the final curve and took a spectacular tumble. Many others met similar fates.

3 Seconds Off Pace

Peter Erbe of Otis, a member of the Hotchkiss team, found the course to his liking, however, as he sailed from top to bottom in 1:11, only three seconds off Smith's winning pace. Behind him came Drury's Phil Potvin in 1:13; James Hart of Lenox School, 1:15; Mark Selkowitz of Lenox, a former PHS skier, 1:17; and Jeff Foote of Eaglebrook, 1:18.

Heather Nesbit, representing the Mount Greylock Ski Club girls' team, recorded the fastest women's time of the day by completing the run in 1:27. Like Smith, she recently finished advanced racing training.

The summary:

CROSS-COUNTRY

		Time
1.	Bill Smith, Pittsfield	18:23
2.	Miller Collins, Berkshire	20:26
3.	Charlie Beck, Deerfield	21:01
4.	James Pease, Turners Falls	21:16
5.	Eric Lattiner, Pittsfield	21:31
6.	Pete Ryland, Deerfield	21:38
7.	Dave Farwell, Turners Falls	22:04
8.	Jerry Tipper, Deerfield	22:09
9.	Mark Selkowitz, Lenox	22:16
10.	Harry Hamilton, Pittsfield	22:18
11.	Tom Hutchinson, Berkshire	22:52
12.	Lawrence Turnure, Berkshire	23:07
13.	Mark Ewing, Deerfield	23:08
14.	Richardson Miner, Berkshire	23:17
15.	Pete Erbe, Hotchkiss	23:27
16.	Dave Ledger, Williamstown	24:06
17.	Alan Lipschitz, Pittsfield	24:06
18.	Francis Noel, Drury	24:07
19.	Mark Swann, Lenox	24:09
20.	A. C. Day, Hotchkiss	24:11

DOWNHILL

1.	Bill Smith, Pittsfield	1:08
2.	Pete Erbe, Hotchkiss	1:11
3.	Phil Potvin, Drury	1:13
4.	James Hart, Lenox	1:15
5.	Mark Selkowitz, Lenox	1:17
6.	Jeffe Foote, Eaglebrook	1:18
7.	David Ledger, Williamstown	1:19
8.	Harry Hamilton, Pittsfield	1:20
9.	Ted Massucco, Westfield	1:21
10.	David Niff, Westfield	1:21
11.	Herbert Clark, Drury	1:21
12.	Richard Shields, W. Sprg'ld	1:22
13.	Dave Farwell, Turners Falls	1:22
14.	Pete Duchin, Hotchkiss	1:23
15.	Norman Pike, W. Springfield	1:25
16.	Lawrence Turnure, Berkshire	1:26
17.	Chappie Naess, Eaglebrook	1:26
18.	Dick Powell, Drury	1:26
19.	Eric Lattiner, Pittsfield	1:26
20.	John Wright, Northampton	1:27

LEADING TEAM STANDINGS
(Cross-country and Downhill Combined)

	Cross-Country	Downhill	Total
1. Pittsfield	94.3	89.0	183.3
2. Deerfield	92.6	78.6	171.2
3. Hotchkiss	81.7	85.6	167.3
4. Lenox	83.7	82.2	165.9
5. Drury	76.2	88.6	164.8
6. Berkshire	90.4	73.1	163.5

DOUBLE WINNER Billy Smith of Pittsfield High proved he was the top skier in the Berkshire interscholastic meet at the State Forest yesterday by winning the cross-country and downhill races. His victories played the most important part in Pittsfield's triumph in the opening events. The jumping and slalom portions of the meet will be held today.

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Blue Ribbons From the Queen

Pittsfield, Feb. 13—Queen Ann "Bunny" Driscoll pins blue ribbons on two of the "under nine" sled race winners at the Winter Carnival this afternoon on the Clapp Park slope. In the center is James Preston, eight, with Denise Goswell, seven, looking on.

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SKIMEISTER Johnny Seely receives trophy and congratulations from Pittsfield Winter Carnival Queen Ann M. Driscoll after being picked outstanding skier in the city meet yesterday. Seely won the downhill and slalom and combined crown in the 15-and-under class. With him are the other combined winners, Richard Henneberry, 15 and over; and Evan Hendricks, 12 and under. Standing behind Miss Driscoll is Win Gutmann, chairman of the event.

No Ice Skating This Week End At Park Areas

1-3-53

The Park Department announced this morning that, despite a wintry snowfall, there will be no ice skating at any of the city areas today or tomorrow.

Skating sites at Springside and Clapp Parks, Deming Field, the Common and the new hockey rink behind Pittsfield High will not be in use. Maintenance crews have tried to flood these areas, but warm weather and poor ground conditions made it impossible.

Springside was first opened to the public Sunday and 620 skaters used the area that day. A total of 4831 persons have skated there since. Skating conditions remained good until Friday.

Skating Supervisors Needed For Rinks

Daytime supervisors are needed for the city's Department of Parks and Recreation skating areas. Working hours are part-time from approximately 3 p. m. to 6 p. m. The jobs pay 90 cents an hour.

Anyone interested may contact Henry Bonnet, at the Pittsfield Department of Parks and Recreation on School Street.

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ANKLE TROUBLE: Seven-year-old Carol Shuleski of 12 Courtland Place laughs merrily at her unco-operative ankles as she leaves the ice with the assistance of her sister, Jean, 9. Carol was learning quite well until her ankles seemed to turn to rubber.

Five in Lead For Title Of Queen

1-5-53

7000 Buttons Sold In Opening Week Of Carnival Contest

Five carnival-queen contestants are battling for first place at the beginning of the second week of the contest sponsored by the Pittsfield Department of Parks and Recreation. Judy Garzone and Connie Dillon are vying for the top saleswomen's position, while Lorita Martinelli, Doris Murdock and Betty Fox are close for second place. The remaining six young women are reported not far behind, and may break into the top sales bracket any time.

Seven thousand of the 9400 buttons in circulation are definitely sold. They represent one half of the contest quota of 14,000 buttons.

Beginning this afternoon, a contestant will be interviewed every other day on both radio stations. Bob Henneberry will interview Miss Martinelli at 5 over WBEC. Dan Healy and Ted Holmes will interview Miss Murdock at 3 on the Mr. Plus program over WBRK.

Starting Wednesday, a picture of a contestant will appear in The Eagle daily for 11 days.

Surprise 4-Inch Snowfall Is Boon to Berkshire Skiing

1-7-52

Berkshire ski area operators jumped into action today almost as quickly as state and city snow removal crews when a four-inch fluffy snowfall covered this area.

The surprise storm crept in overnight and has left an almost ideal cover for ski centers. Sheep Hill in Williamstown and Otis Ridge in Otis started operating tows at 1.30 this afternoon, and the Mount Greylock Ski Club President Verne Goodwin, announced that Bousquet's would hold its first nighttime skiing session tomorrow night. Floodlights will be on from 7.30 to 10.

Morris E. Lundberg, Pittsfield Public Works commissioner, reported snow plowing went off without a serious hitch early this morning. He said the department plows went into action about 4 AM and all main arteries were clear of snow by 7 AM.

Motorists Warned

Actual snow removal from the center of the city will start at midnight, and Mr. Lundberg has asked that motorists remove their cars from the streets before midnight to allow the snow removal crews to go to work. Six motorists who parked their cars on the streets last night were forced to pay a towing charge this morning. Police towed the cars from the West Street-Park Square area to near-by garages and the car owners were forced to foot the bill.

The state Highway Department reported that the snow was so light plowing was no trouble. Some 90 pieces of equipment covered the county highways in record time.

The weather bureau at the Pittsfield Municipal Airport said the storm that arrived early this morning actually wasn't due until later today. The bureau also said there is more snow on the way. Approximately two more inches is scheduled for tomorrow with a third light storm slated for Saturday.

Skating at Springside

Four public surfaces were flooded last night, but there is skating today only at Springside Park, the Parks and Recreation Department announced.

The department expects that the Common, Clapp Park and Deming Field, all of which received water last night along with Springside, will have skating tomorrow.

Sixty-two attended the department's ski instruction course last night at Clapp Park. There were 52 children and 10 adults. Win Gutmann Jr. is the teacher.

The course will be given tonight and Friday evening at Clapp, with this time schedule: Children, 6.30 to 7.30; adults, 7.30 to 9.30. The ski tow at Clapp will operate all week.

Skating Course Starts Saturday At Springside

1-8-53

The Park Department plans to hold the first in a series of 10 ice skating lessons for children Saturday morning from 9 to 11.30 at Springside Park. Other classes will be held daily from 4 to 5.30 PM. as long as good ice conditions last.

Joseph Franz of Stockbridge, and Mrs. William Rice of Lee, will be instructors. Both have had experience in teaching and figure skating. Mr. Franz, 72, says "one is never too old or young to learn figure skating."

The Park Department lessons, however, are limited to children, particularly those who have skated before and wish to learn the fundamentals of figure skating.

Youngsters may register for the course by calling the Park Department or by reporting to Springside Park Saturday morning. A 50-cent registration fee is charged for the 10 lessons. Registrations will close at 11.30 Saturday morning. If the demand warrants, other similar programs will be conducted later in the winter.

$25 War Bond Offered in Queen Contest

1-9-53

Dorothy Metallo's Withdrawal From Race Announced

The 10 participants in the Carnival Queens Contest have an opportunity to win a $25 war bond, in addition to other awards. A minor race opened Wednesday night, when the 10 candidates met with Mrs. James Lambert, committee chairman, at the office of the Pittsfield Parks and Recreation Department, the sponsor.

To the contestant selling most buttons between the close of the meeting and Wednesday afternoon at 5.30 a bond will be awarded. It is expected that other minor contests will follow.

Henry Bonnet, who is arranging the carnival contest, reports 7200 buttons actually sold and 13,500 of the quota of 14,000 in circulation.

Candidate Withdraws

The number of queen candidates has been reduced to 10 by the dropping out of Miss Dorothy (Dot) C. Metallo, designated as contestant No. 3, due to the illness of a member of her family. Miss Betty Fox moves up to third place.

Miss Metallo is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Metallo of 232 Dalton Avenue. A graduate of Pittsfield High School in the class of 1950 and of Becker Junior College, Worcester, she also attended night school at Berkshire Business College. She is in the wage rate section of the General Electric Company.

At high school she played basketball, was on the year book staff and was a member of the Tri Hi-Y. At college she played basketball, bowled and belonged to the Newman and Ski Clubs.

Miss Shirley Bartini, contestant No. 9, will be heard this afternoon from 3 to 3.25 on the "Mr. Plus" program of WBRK, interviewed by Dan Healy and Ted Holmes.

1-10-53

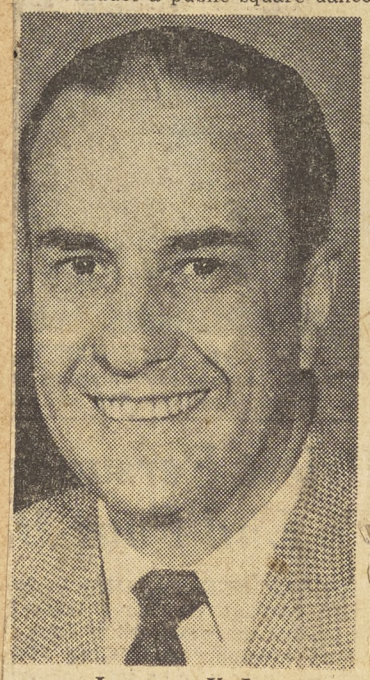
COLD FEET: Ann Gleason, seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo R. Gleason, 42 Abbott Street, musters up a grin although her toes became quite chilly while she was skating at Springside Park. With a little rubbing the toes thawed out, and when she walked home they got warm as toast.

1-23-53

Carnival Adds Square Dance To Program

Lawrence Loy Named Master of Ceremonies For Event at Sheraton

The Berkshire County Square Dance Association, in co-operation with the winter sports committee, will conduct a public square dance



Lawrence V. Loy

Saturday evening, Jan. 31, from 8.30 to 11.30.

The dance, which is the newest addition to the carnival program, will be held at the Sheraton Hotel.

Lawrence V. Loy, state recreation director for youth programs of the Massachusetts State Extension Service and teacher and square dance caller, will be master of ceremonies.

Principal caller will be Reuben Merchant of Nassau, N.Y., who currently is teaching square, folk and contra dancing at the Pittsfield Community Music School.

In charge of arrangements for the event is John H. Fairs, vice-president of the Square Dance Association. Assisting him are: Mr. and Mrs. Orville Wilkinson, Mrs. Salvatore Minneci, Mrs. Maurice E. Weston, Thurston C. Pilsbury, Mrs. Frank E. Eck and James T. Willis.

Jim Willis' orchestra will provide the music for the dance. Mr. Willis is president of the County Square Dance Association.

Mrs. Eck is ticket chairman. There will be no advance sale of tickets. They will be sold at the door, and only 200 persons will be admitted.

1-29-53

Goal Exceeded In Button Sale

Constance Dillon Is Lady in Waiting For Carnival Ball

The sale of winter carnival buttons, which ended last night, went over the top with the queen contestants selling 1285 more than their quota. Their goal was 14,000 buttons.

Mrs. James J. Lambert Jr., queen contest chairman and last year's carnival queen, announced today that Miss Constance Dillon sold 2636, topping other contenders by more than 500 buttons. Unless she is chosen queen of the winter carnival, Miss Dillon automatically will be "lady in waiting" in the queen's court.

The queen candidates in order of their button sales are the Misses Dillon, Judy Garzone, Lorita Martinelli, Betty Fox. Doris Murdock, Josephine Lombardi, Shirley Bartini, Delores Barea, Angie Del Signore and Rita Coady.

Mrs. Lambert will end her reign Friday night when she crowns the new queen, who will be chosen by those attending the winter carnival ball at the Sheraton Hotel from 9 to 1.

100 Rooms Needed To Accommodate Visiting Skaters

1-29-53

The Park Department said today that more than 100 additional accommodations are needed in Pittsfield homes for out-of-town skaters entered in the Berkshire Hills championship meet this week end.

The announcement said that only 66 accommodations have been made available to date. Mrs. John J. Landers, chairman of the housing committee for the skating event, urged residents willing to donate rooms to contact the Park Department as soon as possible.

Meanwhile, the department has moved about 20 tons of snow from Springside Park to Park Square. The snow will be used to sculpture an ice fishing scene as a symbol of the 1953 winter carnival festival.

The department also announced that there will be ice skating today at Springside.

Connie Dillon Wins $25 Bond In Button Sale

1-15-53

The Park Department has announced that Miss Connie Dillon of 20 Forest Place, one of the 10 winter carnival queen contants, will receive a $25 defense bond for selling the most carnival buttons last week. Miss Dillon topped the field, selling 671 buttons.

Her closest competitor was Miss Lorita Martinelli who sold 474 buttons. Next was Miss Judy Garzone with 403. A total of 3239 buttons were sold during the defense bond contest to bring the over-all count to 9376 out of the 14,000 quota, the department said.

There are two more weeks before the button sale ends Jan. 28. Miss Dillon and Miss Garzone are presently leading in total sales, followed by Miss Betty Fox and Miss Doris Murdock, two other queen contestants.

The queen candidates will be honored at a punch party Saturday night at 7.30 at the Women's Club. The various chairmen of winter carnival committees, Mrs. William Litty, Miss Sadie Wowk, Miss Rosemary Monterosso, Mrs. Walter Gogan, Mrs. Ernest Smith and Miss Mary England, are expected to attend. Films of last winter's carnival activities will be shown.

Winter Carnival Ball Is Friday

1-28-53

Six-year-old Burton Lee Wallace, son of Mrs. Dorothy Wallace of 104 Elizabeth Street, shows the queen's crown for the winter carnival ball to Cynthia, 6, and Eleanor, 7, Livingston, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Livingston of 125 Holmes Road. Burton will be crown-bearer at the ball Friday evening at the Hotel Sheraton, and Cynthia and Eleanor will be flower girls.

1-30-53

Pittsfield Skiers Dominate First Interscholastic Race

A quartet of Pittsfield skiers, two of them members of the Pittsfield High School A team, took four out of five first places this morning in the opening cross-country race of the 12th annual Berkshire interscholastic ski meet at the Pittsfield State Forest.

Winner of the event—the only skier of the top five not from this city—was 17-year-old John Cluett, a senior at Berkshire School in Sheffield. Cluett raced around the long, two-mile Hawthorne Trail in 15 minutes and 59.4 seconds.

Finishing second in 16 minutes, 36.4 seconds was Billy Smith, a 17-year-old Pittsfield High skier. Smith won the cross-country race last winter over a slightly longer course. Close behind in third position was Preston Cooper of Pittsfield, another Berkshire School skier. His time was 16 minutes, 44.2 seconds. In fourth spot was Captain Collins Pomeroy of the Pittsfield High team. His time was 16 minutes, 59 seconds. Fifth position was gained by Charley Gibson of Pittsfield, who completed the run in 17 minutes, 41.3 seconds. Gibson wears the Deerfield Academy ski colors.

67 Racers Compete

Race Chairman Don West said that 67 skiers competed in the event. He said the course was in good condition.

The second race in the four-phase interscholastic meet is the slalom which began at 1.15 this afternoon on the Lulu open slope. Chairman West said that additional snow had to be spread over the racing area.

The downhill and jumping events are scheduled for tomorrow.

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Carnival Queen Contestants (1)

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Miss Lorita Martinelli

Miss Lorita Martinelli, 19, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mansueto Martinelli of 34 Dartmouth Street. She graduated from Pittsfield High School in 1950 and completed a medical-secretary course at Becker Junior College, Worcester, last June. She is a surgical secretary at St. Luke's Hospital.

While at high school she was cheerleader for three years, co-chairman of Senior Prom, a member of the yearbook staff, the basketball and volleyball teams and the senior class council. She participated in the gym exhibition and contributed to the Student's Pen. In her senior year she received the Maplewood essay award.

At college Miss Martinelli also was a cheerleader and on the basketball team. She was cochairman of the senior class play, dormitory treasurer, and society editor of the yearbook. On the dean's list for her entire two-year course, she was president of the Newman Club and senior prom queen.

A prefect of the Blessed Virgin Sodality of Mt. Carmel Church, she is a bowler, a member of a sewing class and of the Pittsfield Undergraduate Club. Her hobbies are skiing, swimming, dancing, bowling and tennis.

Miss Martinelli was interviewed over Station WBEC by Bob Henabery Monday afternoon and will appear Wednesday, Jan. 28, at 3 PM on WBRK's "Mr. Plus" program with Dan Healy and Ted Holmes. Tomorrow afternoon from 5 to 5.15 over WBEC Miss Judith C. Garzone of 179 Francis Avenue will be interviewed by Mr. Henabery.

Ticket Sale Opens For Carnival Dance

The sale of tickets for the annual winter carnival ball, to be sponsored by the Park Department Friday evening, Jan. 30, from 9 to 1 at the Sheraton Hotel, was launched Saturday evening at a punch party given for the carnival queen contestants.

Mrs. Ernest M. Smith, ticket committee chairmen, distributed tickets to the contestants, who also are selling carnival buttons.

Mrs. James J. Lambert Jr., chairman of the queen's committee, was assisted at the party by Miss Rosemary Monterosso and Miss Rita Monterosso, who baked the cookies.

Carnival committee members who attended were Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the Park Department; Mrs. William S. Litty, carnival chairman; Henry A. Bonnet and Mrs. Robert E. May, publicity; and Miss Mary England, program.

Mr. Bonnet showed movies of last year's carnival after refreshments were served.

1-8-53

Carnival Queen Contestants (2)

Plouffe

Miss Judith C. Garzone

Miss Judith C. Garzone, 17, is the daughter of Mrs. Kathleen Garzone of 179 Francis Avenue. She is a member of the senior class at St. Joseph's High School and is employed outside of school hours at the Mohican Market.

At St. Joseph's she is a member of the glee club, the commercial club and the Spanish club. She belongs to the FMTA and the FMTA Bowling League.

Miss Garzone will be interviewed Jan. 26 at 3 PM over Station WBRK by Dan Healy and Ted Holmes on the "Mr. Plus" program. She was heard yesterday afternoon over WBEC, interviewed by Bob Henneberry.

Carnival Queen Constestants (10)

Plouffe

Miss Doris L. Murdock

Miss Doris L. Murdock, 16, a junior at St. Joseph's High School, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Murdock of 29 Fern Street. During the holiday season she was employed at Nugent's Store and she has been working for Dr. and Mrs. Morris Geller for two years.

Editor of the Clapp newspaper and a member of the Clapp Park softball team, Miss Murdock belongs also to the Rosary Sodality of St. Mark's Church, the FMTA and the Girl's Club. At school she is a member of the junior glee club and chemistry club, took part in the sophomore play, bowls in the Park Department league and was on the decorating committee for the school dance.

Miss Murdock's hobbies are dancing, collecting records, skating, swimming and bowling.

Bob Henabery will interview Miss Shirley Bartini, Contestant 8, on Friday from 5 to 5.15 over WBEC; Miss Josephine Lombardi, Contestant 9, on Monday; and Miss [illegible]day, Jan. 28. [illegible]Plus" program. Healy and Ted

Carnival Queen Contestants (3)

Plouffe

Miss Betty A. Fox

Miss Betty A. Fox, 19, is the daughter of Richard M. Fox of 45 Crane Avenue, Dalton. A graduate of Dalton High School in the class of 1951, she is a stenographer in the shipping section of the Chemical division of the General Electric Company.

Treasurer of her class for the four years of high school, she was an honor student throughout her course. Her hobbies are skating, dancing and movies.

Miss Fox will be interviewed Monday afternoon from 5 to 5.15 over Station WBEC by Bob Henneberry. Miss Dolores Barea contestant number 7, will be interviewed Monday from 3 to 3.25 over WBRK, Mr. Plus program, by Dan Healy and Ted Holmes.

1-12-53

Carnival Queen Contestants (4)

Plouffe

Miss Angie M. DelSignore

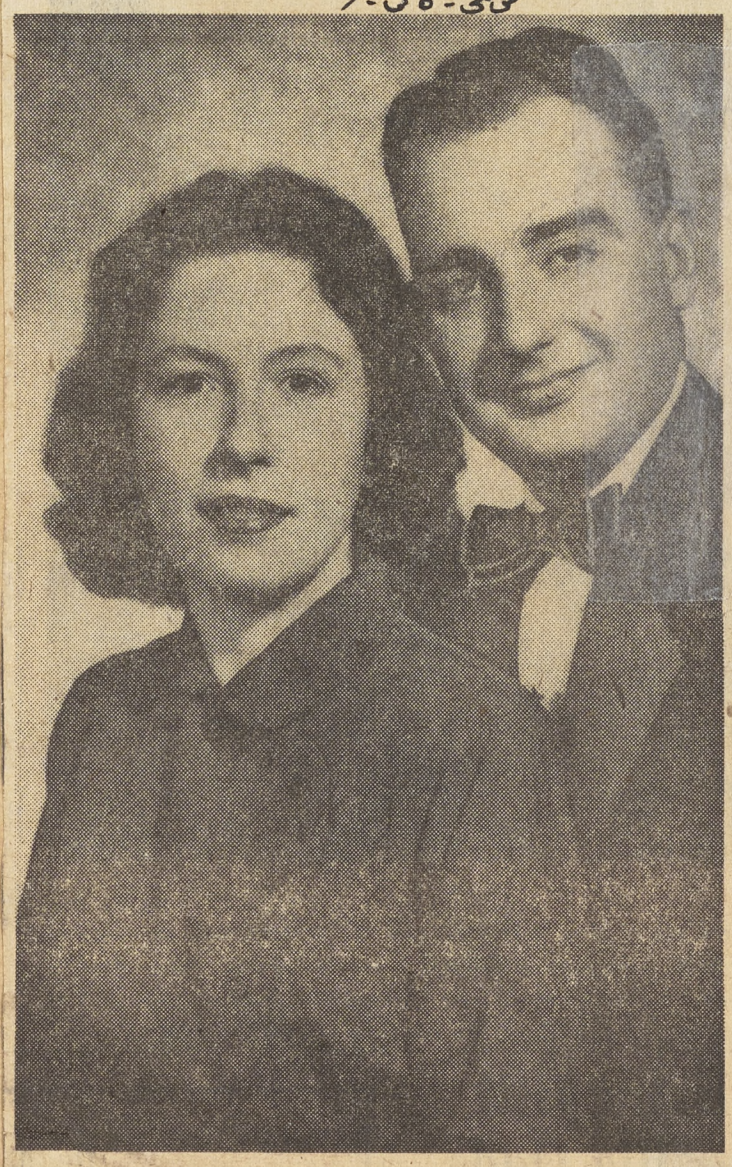
Miss Angie M. DelSignore, 17, is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lucian DelSignore of 58 Harris Street. After attending Pittsfield High School she was employed until recently by the F. W. Woolworth Company. She has played baseball for the playgrounds and basketball and softball at high school. A member of the FMTA and the Girls' Club, her hobbies are skating, skiing, swimming, roller skating, bowling and dancing.

Miss DelSignore will be interviewed Wednesday afternoon at 5 over WBEC by Bob Heneberry. This afternoon at the same hour and station Miss Betty Fox will be heard.

Miss Dolores Barea, queen candidate 7, is being interviewed today at 3 over WBRK on its "Mr. Plus" program by Dan Healy and Ted Holmes.

Winter Carnival Chairmen

1-30-53



Plouffe

Mr. and Mrs. William S. Litty, chairmen of the winter carnival sports committee, a volunteer group of citizens who work in conjunction with the Park Department for the annual winter carnival. The carnival, which opens with a ball tonight from 9 to 1 at the Sheraton Hotel, will continue through Feb. 8.

Carnival Queen Contestants (5)

1-13-53

Plouffe

Miss Constance M. Dillon

Miss Constance M. Dillon, 19, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Dillon of 20 Forest Place. She graduated from St. Joseph's High School in 1951, and attended St. Luke's School for Nursing. She is a tracer in the naval ordnance building at GE.

While in grammar school, Miss Dillon was a member of the Blessed Virgin Sodality and St. Mary's Girls' Choir.

At St. Joseph's High School, she was on the yearbook staff, participated in the senior class play, worked on the junior and senior prom committees and sang in the glee club for the Easter pageant. For the 1949-1950 Campus Echo she was on the art committee.

Miss Dillon was on the committee for the Halloween dance at St. Luke's and took part in the textile spring fashion show in 1951. She belongs to the Pittsfield Undergraduate Club. Miss Dillon's hobbies are sports, dancing and records.

Miss Dillon will be interviewed Friday from 5 to 5.15 PM by Bob Henabery over WBEC, and on Monday from 3 to 3.25 PM by Dan Healy and Ted Holmes on the "Mr. Plus" program over WBRK.

Carnival Queen Contestants (6)

1-14-53

Plouffe

Miss Rita A. Coady

Miss Rita A. Coady, 16, a senior at St. Joseph's High School, not only works at the South Street News and Luncheonette but takes part in various school activities.

At Lenox High School, she was a member of the junior dance committee, basketball and volleyball teams, music appreciation club, and worked on the school paper as publicity and distributing editor.

Miss Coady belongs to the first aid club, the softball team, the yearbook committee, and was in the chorus of the operetta at St. Joseph's High School.

The daughter of Mrs. Nora Coady of Pittsfield road, Lenox, Miss Coady's hobbies are skating, basketball, dancing, bowling and swimming.

Dan Healy and Ted Holmes will interview Miss Coady this afternoon from 3 to 3.25 PM on the "Mr. Plus" program over WBRK. Miss Angie DelSignore, contestant 4, will be interviewed by Bob Henabery from 5 to 5.15 PM this afternoon over WBEC.

Carnival Queen Contestants (7)

1-16-53

Plouffe

Miss Dolores J. Barea

Miss Dolores J. Barea, 17, a senior at Pittsfield High School, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold J. Barea of 421 West Street.

Skiing, skating, dancing and records are Miss Barea's hobbies.

She is president of Sigma Tri-Hi-Y and past treasurer and vice-president. Miss Barea took part in the gym exhibition her sophomore year, and was a member of the field hockey team. She was a chairman of the victory dance, and is serving her second year as home room representative.

Miss Connie Dillon will be interviewed today from 5 to 5.15 over WBEC by Bob Henabery, and Miss Angie DelSignore will appear today on the Mr. Plus program over WBRK from 3 to 3.25 with Dan Healy and Ted Holmes.

Carnival Queen Contestant (8)

1-17-53

Plouffe

Miss Shirley A. Bartini

Miss Shirley A. Bartini, 17, a 1952 graduate of Pittsfield High School and an employe of The Eagle, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bartini of 288 Merrill Road.

A past president of the Junior Blessed Virgin Sodality, Miss Bartini now is a member of the Senior Blessed Virgin Sodality at Mt. Carmel Church. She belongs to the Civil Air Defense Corps.

At high school Miss Bartini was treasurer of her junior and senior class, a member of the student council, of the class council her sophomore year, home-room representative, and a participant in the gym exhibition. She also was on the senior and junior prom committees.

Miss Rita Coady will be interviewed by Bob Henabery over WBEC Monday afternoon from 5 to 5.15, and Dan Healy and Ted Holmes will talk with Miss Connie Dillon Monday from 3 to 3.25 PM on the Mr. Plus program.

Carnival Queen Contestant (9)

1-19-53

Plouffe

Miss Josephine C. Lombardi

Miss Josephine C. Lombardi, 19-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amato Lombardi of 155 South Mountain Road, is employed by the Park Jewelry Company.

Miss Lombardi, whose hobbies are swimming, skating, tennis, bowling and horseback riding, is a 1951 Pro Merito graduate of Pittsfield High School and attended Larsen Junior College, New Haven, Conn.

While at Pittsfield High, Miss Lombardi was a member of Beta Tri-Hi-Y and a cheerleader. During her year at Larsen, she was chairman of decorations for the junior prom, on the acting and props committee for the dramatic club, and a member of the music and riding clubs.

Miss Dolores Barea will be interviewed by Bob Henabery from 5 to 5.15 Wednesday evening over WBEC. Dan Healy and Ted Holmes will interview Miss Betty Fox on the "Mr. Plus" program from 3 to 3.25 Wednesday afternoon over WBRK.

1-20-53

Annual Winter Carnival Ball Plans Announced

Queen To Be Chosen At Eighth Annual Event Jan. 30

Announcement of plans for the eighth annual winter carnival ball were made today by Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Gogan, chairmen.

The semiformal ball will be Friday evening, Jan. 30, from 9 to 1 at the Sheraton Hotel, where the winter carnival queen will be crowned.

The queen is chosen by popular vote at the dance from a list of eligible candidates, who are engaged presently in a carnival button-selling contest. A contestant must have sold 1000 or more buttons to be eligible.

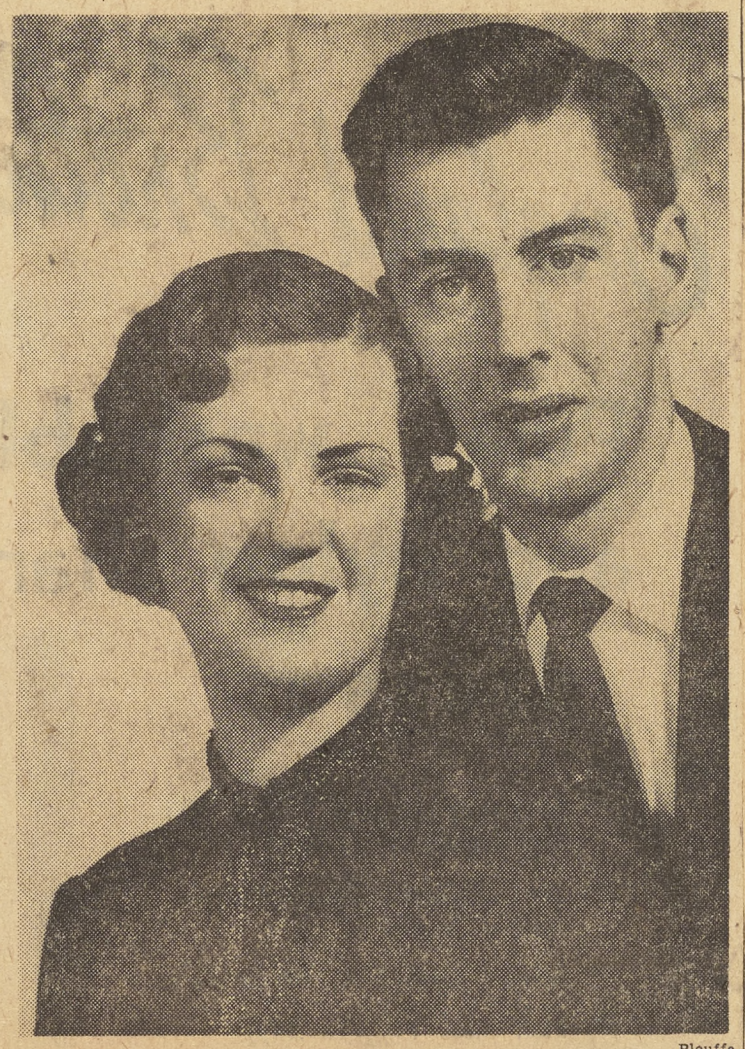
Mr. and Mrs. Gogan announced that the voting will take place between 10 and 10.30. In contrast to last year, the dance will be halted for a minimum amount of time for voting. Immediately following the queen's waltz and the casting of ballots, dancing will be resumed until the final tabulation is announced.

The new queen will be crowned by Mrs. James J. Lambert Jr., the former Ann Schulz, queen of the 1952 winter carnival.

The contestant who sells the most buttons will be "lady in waiting" of the queen's court. She also is eligible to be queen. The button-sale competition holds prizes for the first three ladies of the court and the queen's maids, titles which are determined by button sales.

Rodrigues To Play

Louis Rodrigues' orchestra will furnish music, with Paul Nixon as vocalist. Mr. Rodrigues, a comparative newcomer to Pittsfield, played with the Sammy Vincent group for two years before organizing his own band. His band currently is playing at the Portuguese-American Club and has played for the Drury High School prom. The winter sports committee, in signing Mr. Rodrigues for the ball, is putting into effect a newly-adopted rotation policy among local dance bands for the annual ball.



Plouffe

Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Gogan

Marry Today

Chrostowski

MARLENE J. BISHOP, whose wedding is this afternoon.

1952 Contestant for Carnival Queen

1-31-53

Marlene Bishop To Be Bride of Austin Gaylord

GE Employes Will Marry at 4 In First Methodist

Miss Marlene Joan Bishop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Bishop of 34 Congress Street, will be married at 4 this afternoon to Austin Pomeroy Gaylord, son of Mr. and Mrs. Austin C. Gaylord of 50 Cleveland Street.

The candlelight service will take place in the First Methodist Church. Rev. C. Walter Kessler, D. D., will perform the ceremony before an altar banked with blue iris, yellow daffodils and palms. Vocalist will be Mrs. Robert W. Knowles.

Father To Escort

Mr. Bishop will give his daughter in marriage. She will wear a white satin gown with illusion neckline, rosepoint lace-trimmed accordion-pleated bodice, long tapered sleeves princess waistline, and skirt with accordion-pleated panel and full cathredral train. Her finger-tip illusion veil will be attached to an illusion Juliet cap trimmed with seed pearls. Her cascade will be of camellias and stephanotis.

Maid of honor is to be Miss Jacqueline L. Cox. Miss Constance E. Beecher and Mrs. Charles B. Sammet will be bridesmaids; and Alice Brindle, flower girl.

The maid of honor will be dressed in a burgundy velvet and net gown, and a matching net half-hat trimmed with sequins and rhinestones. The bridesmaids' gowns will be of turquoise velvet and net; their matching half-hats, of net trimmed with seed pearls. All will carry Colonial bouquets of white carnations and pompons.

The flower girl will wear a light orchid satin and net gown and matching net half-hat. She is to carry assorted pompons in a basket.

Mothers' Costumes

Mrs. Bishop's costume will be an aqua and gold dress, gold accessories and a white camellia corsage. The mother of the bridegroom will wear an aqua and black dress with white accessories and a corsage of pink roses.

Philip R. Gaylord will be best man for his brother, whose ushers will be his cousin, Bartrum Reeves of Great Barrington, and Richard P. Anderson.

A reception will follow in the church parlors, where a buffet supper will be served.

When the couple leave on a trip to New York and the South, the bride will be wearing a navy suit, light blue coat, navy and white accessories and a corsage of white camellias. The couple will make their home at 25 Summit Avenue after Feb. 9.

The bride, an honor graduate of Pittsfield High School, class of 1951, is a secretary in the new-products laboratory of the GE chemical division.

Mr. Gaylord, who graduated from Pittsfield High School in 1949 and attended Pittsfield Secretarial School, is employed in the production section of GE naval ordnance operation. He is an active member of the U. S. Naval Reserve.

Mrs. E. M. Smith Is Ticket Head For Carnival Ball

1-31-53

Plouffe

Mrs. Ernest M. Smith

Mrs. Ernest M. Smith, ticket committee chairman for the eighth annual winter carnival ball, today announced the local stores and committee members from whom tickets may be purchased. The ball will be Friday evening, Jan. 30, from 9 to 1 in the Sheraton Hotel.

Stores handling tickets are: Mary & Zell, Wowk's Jewelers, Park Jewelers, Women's Club, Sammy Vincent's and England Brothers' radio department. The Department of Parks and Recreation also has tickets for sale.

Individuals from whom tickets may be purchased are: Miss Katherine Wowk, Mrs. Robert E. May, Miss Norma Wood, Miss Rosemary Monterosso, Mr. and Mrs. William S. Litty, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gogan, Mrs. James J. Lambert Jr., Miss Mary England, William F. Plouffe, George F. Maynard and Sanford Bookless.

The contestants for queen of the carnival also are selling tickets.

The carnival queen is chosen at the ball. Attached to each ticket is a ballot stub, which will be collected at the ball.

One restriction which has been placed on the queens in their sale of tickets is that they are permitted only five absentee votes. This is a measure to prevent the buying of votes by any over-enthusiastic queen supporter. Other than the five absentee votes, all voters must attend the ball.

1-31-53

WINTER CARNIVAL QUEEN: Miss Constance M. Dillon, 19, is crowned queen of the eighth annual winter carnival by last year's queen, Mrs. James J. Lambert Jr., at the carnival ball last night at the Sheraton Hotel. Crown-bearer was six-year-old Burton Lee Wallace, son of Mrs. Dorothy Wallace of 104 Elizabeth Street. New queen is the daughter of Robert B. Dillon, member of the Board of Registrars and former city councilman, and Mrrs. Dillon, 20 Forest Place. (Story on Page 1, Sec. 2)

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Connie Dillon Chosen Queen Of Eighth Winter Carnival

Miss Connie Dillon, daughter of Robert B. Dillon, former city councilman, and Mrs. Dillon of 20 Forest Place, will reign as queen over the remaining events of the eighth winter carnival. The 19-year-old GE employe was chosen by a ballot of ticket-holders at the hall in the Sheraton Hotel. More than 350 were present for dancing to Louis Rodrigues' orchestra.

As queen, Miss Dillon will preside at the speed skating contest at 1 this afternoon at Onota Lake, and, later today, will present awards to finalists in the Berkshire Hills interscholastic ski meet at Pittsfield State Forest. She will reign this evening at the carnival square dance at the Sheraton Hotel, and at other events during the week.

A 1951 graduate of St. Joseph's High School, where she majored in college and nursing courses, Miss Dillon, when asked about her reaction to being named queen, said breathlessly, "I can't believe it . . . never expected it would happen."

The five-foot-two-inch hazel-eyed brown haired girl was wearing a gold trimmed white gown at last night's ball.

Gets Many Gifts

Queen Connie will get a $100 gift certificate and nine other gifts donated by merchants as prizes for the queen. In addition, she will receive gifts designated for the lady in waiting, for having sold the most buttons, 2526. These 10 gifts include a $100 gift certificate.

The new queen isn't sure what she will do with all her gift certificates, but expects to use some of them to buy a new Easter outfit. She has never had anything like this happen to her before, she said, and her family, including three brothers and a sister are "just as excited about it as I am."

When Connie was chosen queen, she kept the gifts but the title of lady in waiting went to the runner-up in the button contest, Miss Judy Garzone.

Other members of the court were the Misses Lorita Martinelli, Betty Fox, Doris Murdock, Josephine Lombardi, Shirley Bartini, Dolores Barea, Angie DelSignore and Rita Coady.

Waltz First

Final balloting last night was preceded by a queen's waltz at 10, when each contestant danced with her escort. Votes then were counted by Miss Sadie Wowk, William S. Litty, Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Gogan, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Lambert Jr. and Henry A. Bonnet.

At 10.45, a procession to the queen's throne began, led by Burton Lee Wallace as crown-bearer and Cynthia and Eleanor Livingston as flower girls. They were followed by members of the queen's court, who entered the ballroom in pairs. Miss Dillon was crowned by Mrs. Lambert, last year's queen, and Robert E. Henabery of Radio Station WBEC as master of ceremonies. The crown was designed by Rev. David Kibby of Berkshire Crafts and L. Coulson Hageman of Stevens Inc.

Miss Dillon received 98 of the 385 votes cast. Although only about 350 were present, each contestant was permitted five absentee ballots.

Ticket returns are incomplete, but the carnival committee hopes to clear expenses and net a small profit for the winter sports committee, Mr. and Mrs. Gogan, ball chairmen, announced this morning.

Winter Sports Equipment Sale Opens Tonight

Approximately 300 items, including skis, skates and clothing, will be available when the three-day Park Department winter sports equipment sale opens at 6 tonight at Kelsey's Market, 76 North St.

The sale, conducted yearly by the Park Department's winter sports committee, will run until 9 tonight, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. tomorrow, and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday. Mrs. James Tobin, the chairman, is being assisted by Mrs Maurice Corrinet, Mrs. Raymond Conway and members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club.

Equipment may be left at Kelsey's anytime during the sale. Eighty per cent of the sale price goes to the owner, while the remaining 20 per cent is used for the annual winter carnival and promotion of winter sports in Pittsfield.

12-2/-53

Deadline Tomorrow On Unsold Items

Tomorrow night at 5 is the deadline for claiming winter sports items that were not sold last week during the equipment sale. Skis, skates and numerous aticles of clothing may be picked up at the Park Department office, 52 School St.

12-30-53

City To Send Envoy Abroad; $800 Is Sought

3-31-53

$225 Pledged; Qualifications for Post To Be Published

Twenty-five representatives of local organizations voted last evening to send a community ambassador to represent Pittsfield abroad this summer.

The decision was made at the second meeting on the project at Pittsfield High School. Henry Bonnet was named temporary chairman, and Mrs. Orin P. McCarty, treasurer.

Mrs. John C. Russ was elected chairman of the committee to raise the $800 necessary for the envoy's expenses. Interested organizations have already pledged $225. Other groups and individuals interested in promoting good international relations will be asked to contribute the remainder.

Qualifications Decided

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jordan will direct publicity; Mrs. Wayne E. Birchard and Mrs. W. Scott Hill will head the committee on selecting an ambassador. The latter committee meets today to draw up a list of qualifications for the job. This is to be published in The Eagle, one of the sponsors of the project.

Organizations represented last evening and not previously listed were: Tucker Parent-Teacher Association, Turnverein Ladies, Egremont PTA, Y's Menettes, and the American Legion Auxiliary. Also the League of Women Voters and the Junior League.

Want To Be Our Ambassador? Qualifications Announced

4-3-53

Qualifications for community candidates were announced today by the selection committee, of which Mrs. Wayne E. Birchard is chairman. Applications will be received through April 30 at the reference department of the Berkshire Athenaeum by Miss Ruth Wittan.

Shortly after May 1 a young man or woman, not over 30 years of age, who will have graduated from high school before June 30, will be appointed. He or she must be a citizen of the United States and have lived in Pittsfield for at least one year.

The candidate must submit the application on a form obtained from Miss Wittan, write a letter, not to exceed 150 words, stating the reasons why he thinks he would make a good community ambassador. All qualifications should be stated fully.

Other Requirements

Candidates will be expected to submit a weekly letter for publication in The Eagle, and to speak to sponsoring organizations and others following their return from abroad in the fall. They must therefore be in Pittsfield for a year following their trip, which rules out students who will be in college next year. For some countries a candidate must have a knowledge of the language. For others, this is not necessary.

The ambassador will be selected impartially by a committee of citizens on the basis of his fitness to carry out the duties attached to the position. He will be sent to another nation for the summer to live with a family for several weeks and to learn as much as possible about the life of the people. He will interpret the American way of life to the citizens of the country he visits.

All travel expenses are paid by the community ambassador committee from funds contributed by various organizations and individuals. Arrangements for the ambassador's stay abroad are made by the Experiment in International Living, Putney, Vt. He will leave the end of June, to be gone 10 to 12 weeks.

Forms Available

Young persons interested in applying for the ambassadorship are requested to obtain forms at once, and return them, with letters, to the Athenaeum.

Mrs. W. Scott Hill and Miss Christine Lammers are assisting Mrs. Birchard on the selection committee, which will be enlarged before the appointment is made.

Organizations and individuals interested in contributing to the project are requested to send donations to Mrs. Orin P. McCarty, 135 South Mountain Road.

Young Adults Group To Report on Films, Plan Bulletin Tonight

4-1-53

A report on the sales of foreign film series tickets will be made at the young adult committee meeting tonight at 7.30 at the office of the Parks and Recreation Department. The series, which is open to the public, will start April 15 at the Little Cinema of the Berkshire Museum.

Reports will also be given on the dinner and dance, square dance instruction session, the bridge group meeting and the community ambassador project meeting attended by two representatives of the group.

The committee will gather after the regular meeting, to plan the first bulletin. Notices of young adult activities have been received for publication. Other organizations are urged to send notices to the meeting tonight so that events of interest to young adults may be included in the bulletins to be published twice monthly.

Young Adult Club Votes $25 for Envoy Project

4-2-53

The Young Adult Club of the Park Department voted last night to contribute $25 to the Community Ambassador Project. Members of the group were asked to apply as ambassador candidates. Miss Sheila Fassel reported on the project.

John Luckhowec, chairman, announced 102 attended the dinner and dance, March 25, and all expenses were met.

Jack Birnbaum reported that 14 attended the bridge session, Thursday. Free bridge instruction and an opportunity for the more advanced to play will be provided at 9.10, every Wednesday evening, at the Springside House. The time is late to avoid conflict with the foreign films.

17 Hike Taconic Trail

The hiking group of 17 tackled the Taconic Trail Sunday.

The third square and folk dance instruction session will be 7.30 Monday evening, April 13, at a place to be announced. Stephen Eakman reported that 25 young adults attended Tuesday's session. Two couples will represent the young adults at the Berkshire County Square Dance Association meeting Tuesday.

A report on the sale of series tickets to the foreign films, scheduled to begin April 15, was given. The tickets are available at the Park Department and the Berkshire Museum. A final report on sale of tickets will be made at the Young Adult Committee meeting at 7.30 Wednesday evening. A guarantee of 100 tickets was given in order to make the special series possible.

The next social will be in May. An April social is being omitted because of the foreign films, hikes, square dance and bridge sessions scheduled that month.

The bulletin committee compiled the first bulletin activities of interest to young adults in Pittsfield. The bulletin will be posted in the Berkshire Athenaeum by tomorrow. Organizations are requested to send their notices to the Park Department by the 1st and 15th of each month in order to be included in the bulletins.

Young Adult Club

More Than 100 Tickets Sold for Museum Movies

4-10-53

More than 100 tickets for the foreign film series at the Berkshire Museum, starting Wednesday evening and continuing on April 29, May 6 and 13, have been sold by the Young Adult Club of the Parks Department. Showings will be at 7 and 9. Miss Joan Cleary, Miss Barbara Hutchinson, and Mel Bliss will be ticket takers and ushers at Wednesday's performance.

The hike Sunday will be to Berry Pond. Interested young adults are to meet at the Parks Department at 1.30 PM. Transportation to the State Forest will be furnished.

The next meeting will be Monday, May 4, at Springside House. The rooms are being redecorated by the department maintenance men; a ping-pong table was set up, and there will be recorded music for informal dancing.

Plans for the May social will be made and further development of Springside House as a center for young adults discussed.

Archery Planned

It was announced that a free adult archery instruction program could be provided on the evenings young adults meet at Springside House, under the direction of the playground supervisor of archery. Equipment for the archery program will be furnished by the Park Department. The possibility of ballroom dancing instruction classes also will be discussed.

The square dance session, orginally scheduled for April 13, has been postponed to April 27, because of lack of a hall. The instruction session will be at the YMCA at 7.30 PM under the direction of Miss Barbara Weston and Stephen Eakman, chairmen. Mr. Eakman and Andrew T. Campoli represented the young adults at the Berkshire County Square Dance Association meeting Tuesday.

The bridge group met after the regular meeting at Springside House.

4-11-53

'Ambassador' Deadline Set

Applications for community ambassador appointments will be received until April 30, according to a decision made at a joint meeting of the publication, selection and application committees at the Park Department office Thursday night. Blanks and information are available to men and women between the ages of 18 and 30 at the reference desk of the Berkshire Athenaeum. The envoy will represent the city and interpret American life in a country in Europe, Asia or Latin America.

Filled-in applications should be returned to Mrs. Wayne E. Birchard, 20 Andover Street, committee chairman. Eight have been received in the past week.

The ambassador will be chosen by a selection board of 15 prominent citizens who represent a cross-section of Pittsfield organizations. The board will be announced at a meeting of the central committee Monday evening at 8 in Room 212 of Pittsfield High School.

Miss Christina Lammers, Miss Elizabeth Gatchell and John Luckhowec, who are investigating possible countries to which the ambassador may be sent, will report at Monday's meeting.

Posters to publicize the project are being made by students of Miss Hall's School.

All civic-minded organizations are urged to send representatives to the meeting to assist in planning or to obtain further information regarding the project.

Redfield Endorses Community Ambassador

4-10-53

Plans for sending a Pittsfield "community ambassador" to Europe were endorsed by the Redfield PTA at a meeting attended by 35 members Wednesday night. The plans were explained to the group by Mrs. John C. Russ.

The PTA also heard a talk on home lighting by Miss Kathleen Downey, a consultant to Western Massachusetts Electric Company. She said that home lighting plans should start at the blueprint stage of house-building, and that wiring costs should be about six per cent of the total cost of the home.

4-17-53

Envoy Plan Endorsed By Mayor

More Contributions Needed To Assure Project's Success

Mayor Robert T. Capeless has endorsed the project of sending to Europe this summer a community ambassador from Pittsfield. The following letter was received yesterday by Henry A. Bonnet, chairman of the committee:

Both personally and as mayor, I am proud that our city is taking the lead with a public education program to encourage adult citizens and others in Pittsfield, of their own accord, to take an active role in international citizenship.

The importance of helping people of different countries to understand each other better is too obvious to require comment. Never in the history of the world has it been quite so important as it is today.

The participating civic organizations and individuals are to be commended upon taking an active part in the community ambassador project—a pioneer project in international understanding.

Two additional contributions from the Pittsfield Junior League and the Y's Men's Club of the YMCA are reported by Mrs. John C. Russ, fund-raising committee chairman. The initial $100 necessary to insure a reservation for the ambassador was sent to the Experiment in International Living, Putney, Vt., this week. Arrangements are made for envoys by the Experiment, which started the local projects to promote international understanding.

12 Applicants

Four more applications requested at the reference desk of the Berkshire Athenaeum, where they are available, bring the total to 12 men and women between the ages of 18 and 30 who wish the privilege of representing Pittsfield abroad and who plan to be in the city during the coming year to speak to organizations on their experiences and life in a family in another country.

Miss Christina Lammers and Miss Elizabeth Gatchell, teachers at Miss Hall's School who have been leaders with the Experiment, will be interviewed next week over WBEC and WBRK. Miss Lammers lived with a German family last summer and will lead a group to England in the coming summer. Miss Gatchell has been abroad four times with the Experiment. They will speak on the promotion of international understanding at the "grass roots" level.

The committee urges more applications and requests contributions from organizations and individuals, to be sent to Mrs. Orin P. McCarty, treasurer, 135 South Mountain Road. Speakers on the project will be supplied to groups by Mrs. Russ. The essential expenses that the committee must meet are estimated at $800, to be raised by donations.

$270 Assured For Community Envoy Project

4-15-53

A total of $270, including contributions of $110, and pledges of $160, is assured toward the financing of a community ambassador, according to the report of Mrs. John C. Russ, finance chairman of the project, at a meeting of the central committee last night at Pittsfield High School. Henry A. Bonnet was elected chairman and John J. Luckhowec, secretary.

Participating organizations so far were listed as: The Berkshire Eagle, the Pittsfield College Club, Methodist Woman's Society for Christian Service, Young Adult Group of the Parks and Recreation Department, Women of the Turnverein and Redfield Parent-Teacher Association.

Mrs. Wayne E. Birchard, chairman of the applications and selection committee, announced the following selection of committee members whose duty will be to screen applications for the ambassadorship: Konstantine K. Paluev, Arthur G. Sanford, Rev. John P. Donahue, Rev. Christian B. Jensen, Rabbi Perry E. Nussbaum, John J. Luckhowec, Theodore Herberg, Mrs. W. Scott Hill, Mrs. Fredick M. Myers, Miss Margaret Noble, Miss Elizabeth Gatchell and Miss Christina Lammers, with Henry A. Bonnet, ex-officio.

Announcement was made that Charles J. Najimy of Tucker PTA will speak on the project to the Italian-American Club tonight and to the Syrian-Lebanon Club tomorrow night. Other members of the speaking committee are: Mrs. Walton Ayers, Mrs. Marguerite Boland and Mrs. Charles R. Jordan.

Organizations interested in a speaker are requested to call Mrs. Russ. Contributions are to be sent to Mrs. Orin P. McCarty, 135 South Mountain Road, treasurer. Candidates for the ambassadorship are asked to fill out applications available at the reference department of the Berkshire Athenaeum and return them to Mrs. Birchard. Young men and women between the ages of 18 and 30, who are to be in Pittsfield for a year, beginning in September, are eligible to apply. Details of requirements also are available at the Athenaeum.

Young Adult Group Will Discuss Visit To United Nations

5-2-53

The possibility of a visit to the United Nations with the Workshop of World Understanding will be discussed at a meeting of the Young Adult Group of the Park Department at a meeting Monday night. The meeting will begin at 7.30 at Springside House.

Plans for a May social and summer activities will be made, and reports made on the recent square dance sessions, hikes, bridge instruction and foreign films.

Informal round and square dancing and ping pong will follow. The bridge group also will meet after the meeting, instead of on Wednesday, and will resume Wednesday night meetings May 13.

All young adult groups are asked to send a representative to the meeting, at which bulletins of young adult activities for the next weeks will be available. The bulletin, furnished by individual organizations, is distrbuted on the first and 15th of each month. This will be its third issue.

375 See Foreign Films At Berkshire Museum

4-30-53

About 375 attended the double feature foreign film program at the Berkshire Museum last night sponsored by the Young Adult Group of the Park Department and the Museum.

"Penny Whistle Blues," and the "Big Day," (Jour de Fete) were featured.

Y's Men Vote $50 For Community Envoy

4-16-53

The Y's Men's Club Thursday night voted to contribute $50 to the project to send a community ambassador abroad. Twenty-one attended the meeting at the YMCA.

Y's Men who are working on the project are Henry A. Bonnet, Charles R. Jordan and Meredith Read. Mrs. Walton Ayer and Mrs. Jordan of the Y's Menettes are on the project's speaking committee.

Square Dance Postponed

4-13-53

The square dance instruction for young adults, scheduled for tonight has been postponed until Monday, April 27, at 8 PM at the YMCA.

Tickets Available For Foreign Films

4-28-53

Tickets will be available at the door for the double-feature all-comedy moving picture program, sponsored by the Young Adult Group of the Park Department and the Berkshire Museum tomorrow evening at the Museum.

Showings will be at 6.45 and 9. The program will consist of "Penny Whistle Blues," formerly "The Magic Garden," filmed in South Africa, and "Big Day," (Jour de Fete).

Young Adult Group Plans Instruction In Square Dance

4-25-

Miss Barbara R. Weston and Stephen Eakman will instruct members of the Young Adult Group of the Park Department at a square dance instruction session at 7.30 Monday evening at the YMCA. Miss Weston and Mr. Eakman represented the young adults at the monthly meeting of the Berkshire County Square Dance Association.

Louis Graham, chairman of the hiking group, will lead a hike to Tower Mountain tomorrow afternoon, if weather permits. Interested young adults are to meet at 1.30 at the Park Department.

The second in a series of foreign films co-sponsored by the Young Adults and the Berkshire Museum, will be presented at the Little Cinema at 7 and 9, non-continuous showings, Wednesday evening. Tickets for the program, "Penny Whistle Blues," formerly the "Magic Garden," filmed in Africa with a native cast; and "The Big Day" Jour de Fete will be on sale at the door.

The bridge group will meet at 9.10 Wednesday evening at the Springside House. Jack Birnbaum will instruct beginners.

Representatives of all groups with young adult members are requested to attend the next meeting at 7.30 Monday evening, May 4, as a supper program will be planned.

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Qualifications Announced For Community Ambassador

The method of rating and selecting a community ambassador to represent Pittsfield in a European country during the coming summer was decided last evening by 12 of the 14 members of the selection committee. The meeting, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Wayne E. Birchard, was held in the office of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

The committee decided to rate applicants, who must be between the ages of 18 and 30, and certain of being in Pittsfield for a year after their return from abroad, first, on the application submitted and second, on a personal interview by the committee of each applicant judged to have the necessary qualifications.

Miss Elizabeth Gatchell, leader of four groups for the Experiment in International Living, whose members must meet the qualifications of an ambassador, but who pay their own way, listed necessary qualities for the post as: Ability to get along with people, experience in outdoor living, experience in community activities, a sincere interest in working with and understanding other people, and a desire to do more than is required.

The first step toward rating applicants for the ambassadorship will be taken Monday evening, May 4. Additional applicants are solicited. The committee desires to bring to the attention of potential applicants the fact that April 30 is the deadline for submitting applications. To be accepted they must be postmarked prior to midnight of that date. Forms and information may be obtained at the reference desk of the Berkshire Athenaeum.

They should be mailed to Mrs. Birchard, 20 Andover Street.

Miss Christine Lammers and Mrs. Peter W. Neurath of Lenox will be interviewed about the project over WBRK this afternoon at 4.30 on the "Mr. Plus" program, and over WBEC Monday afternoon at 3.30. Miss Lammers, who was in Germany last summer with the Experiment will lead a group in England in July. Mrs. Neurath has been an Experimenter in Italy and Mexico.

'Ambassador' Committee Meets Monday

5-2-53

The number of applicants who will qualify for personal interviews in the community ambassador contest will be chosen by the selection committee at a meeting Monday night at 7.50 in the offices of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Mrs. Wayne L. Birchard, chairman of the application and selection committee reported today that she is "extremely impressed with the excellent qualifications of the applicants for ambassador."

Three more organizations have made contributions to the Pittsfield Community ambassador project, bringing the total to 12, according to Mrs. Orrin P. McCarty. New contributors are: Temple Sisterhood, Caroline Adam Missionary Society and the Tucker School PTA.

Meeting Thursday

A meeting of the central committee will be held on Thursday night at 8 in the offices of the Park Department. Henry A. Bonnet, chairman, will receive reports from all committee chairmen on the progress of the project. A briefing committee will be appointed to explain thoroughly responsibilities and duties to the chosen ambassador.

Members of the selection committee are: Mrs. Birchard, Konstantin K. Paluev, Arthur G. Sanford, Rev. John P. Donahue, Rev. Christian B. Jensen, Rabbi Perry E. Nussbaum, John J. Luckhowec, Theodore Herberg, Miss Ann MacDonald, Mrs. W. Scott Hill, Mrs. Frederick M. Myers, Miss Margaret Noble, Miss Elizabeth Getchell, Miss Christina Lammers and Mr. Bonnet.

Want To Be an Ambassador? Deadline Is Tomorrow Night

4-29-53

College and high school seniors and others between the ages of 18 and 30 who are certain of being in Pittsfield next year, are urged to apply for the appointment of community ambassador to a European country before Thursday night, when the application list will be closed. The selection committee, headed by Mrs. Wayne E. Birchard, urges that prospective envoys obtain application blanks at the Berkshire Athenaeum and fill them in at once.

Communities which have adopted the ambassador plan this year for the first time are: Whittier, Cal.; Simsbury and Danbury, Conn.; Quincy, Ill.; Ankeny, Iowa, (spearheaded by the Lions Club); Lexington, Ky., (Women's Club); Grand Rapids, Mich., (Council on World Affairs); Kalamazoo and Flint, Mich., (Jaycees); Ann Arbor, Mich., (Council of Churches); Three Rivers, Mich., (Ministerial Association); Lansing-East Lansing, Mich.

Also Greenville, Miss.; Cape Girardeau, Mo., (American Association of University Women); Columbia, Mo., (Jaycees); North Tonawanda, N.Y., (Adult Education Group); Wilson, N.Y., (Gnostic Guild); Lima, Ohio, (Jaycees); Greenville (Inter-Club Council) and Laurens, S.C.; Clarksville, Tenn., and in Texas: Lubbock, Abilene, Lamesa and Midland (Chambers of Commerce); Wisconsin: Green Bay (Jaycees); Beloit (Association of Commerce); Racine (Adult Education).

30 Young Adults Plan Activities

5-5-53

Meeting last night at Springside House 30 members of the Young Adults group, sponsored by the Park Department, received instructions in square dancing and bridge, following a discussion of projects.

Miss Barbara Weston and Stephen Eakman announced future square dance workshops in the New England area. Interested young adults are invited to the next dance session Monday evening at Springside House.

Jack Birnbaum, bridge instructor, reported a new class for beginners Wednesday, May 13.

Lou Graham will lead a hike to Brodie Mountain Sunday. Young adults wishing to go should meet at the Park Department office at 1.30, weather permitting.

Movie Tomorrow

Reporting 125 series tickets sold for the foreign films series sponsored with the Berkshire Museum, the committee favored a similar series in the future. They announced the showing of "Blue Angel," with Marlene Dietrich, at the Museum tomorrow evening at 7 and 9. Miss Harriet Close and Mr. Graham will usher.

Louis Stallkamp announced an invitation to visit the U.N. May 15 on a trip sponsored by the Workshop for World Understanding.

Meetings will be held at Springside House in May and June. For Wednesday, May 20, activities will be planned by Sommers Brown, Mr. Eakman and Miss Katherine Hannon. Plans for the summer include get-togethers on Wednesday evenings at Springside House for free instructions in dancing, volleyball, badminton, ping-pong and archery. Equipment will be furnished by the Parks Department.

40 at Installation Of Allendale PTA

5-5-53

Mrs. Howard M. Broderick, newly elected president of the Pittsfield Parent-Teacher Council, installed officers of Allendale PTA at a meeting, attended by about 40, last night at the school.

A summary of the year's accomplishments was given by Roger A. Prior, retiring president, at the meeting, the final one this year.

The group voted to contribute $10 to the community ambassador fund, after an appeal by Mrs. John C. Russ of the fund committee.

State Senator Silvio O. Conte spoke on legislative procedure and Mrs. Harvey W. Quay gave a short talk on Camp Witawentin. Pins were presented to the retiring president and to Mrs. Walter L. McKinney, a past president.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Harold Jost, assisted by Mrs. Arthur H. Vogel, Mrs. McKinney and Mrs. Ib Jensen.

City Is Only One in State To Sponsor Community Envoy

5-6-53

Pittsfield was announced as the first and only community in Massachusetts to sponsor a community ambassador at a meeting of the project's central committee last evening at the Park Department office. Mrs. John C. Russ reported $567 pledged of the $750-$800 needed for the transportation of an envoy to Europe. Contributitons are solicited from organizations and individuals to complete the fund that must be paid by June 1.

Applicants will be interviewed Saturday afternoon at the Girls' Club by the selection committee under the direction of Arthur G. Sanford, GE plastics division personnel manager. The appointment will be announced at an early date following the interviews.

The committee voted to send the second transportation deposit of $300 to the Experiment in International Living, Putney, Vt., who arrange the trip.

Mrs. W. Scott Hill was appointed chairman of a committee to brief the ambassador on the community and his or her responsibilities to it.

Members of the Y's Men's Club will speak on the project to Hibbard Parent-Teacher Association Wednesday and Stearns PTA May 18. An invitation was given from the 4-H Clubs to hear an international Farm Exchange student at Dalton Grange May 19.

First Get-Together Of Young Adults Set for Tonight

5-5-53

The first of the Young Adult weekly get-togethers at Springside House will be tonight at 7.30.

The evening's activities, planned by Sommers Brown, Miss Frances Barry and Miss Katherine Hannon, include informal, round and square dancing to recorded music, ping-pong and bridge. Volleyball and badminton courts will be available on the lawn, with equipment furnished by the Park Department.

Young adults over 18 years old are invited and will be asked to donate a small amount to help defray the rental fee for the building, to replace loaned records, and to start a record library for weekly events.

A report on the foreign film series will be made. The city-wide tennis committee has requested that a young adult representative be appointed to assist with promotion of tennis in Pittsfield, and to stimulate interest in the annual tennis tournament.

Plans for picnics and other special events during the summer will be discussed.

The square dance instruction at Springside House Monday was attended by about 36 young adults. Miss Barbara Weston and Louis Stallkamp instructed the group.

5-21-53

Christine Lammers Will Lead Group For Experiment

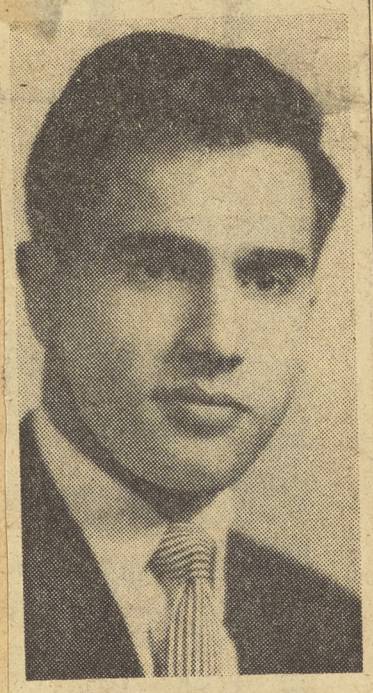
Miss Christine Lammers, teacher of mathematics and general science at Miss Hall's School, will lead a group of 10 young people on a trip to England this summer under the Experiment in International Living. She will leave from Quebec July 4 aboard the Council on Student Travel ship SS Arosa Kulm.

A New Yorker by birth, Miss Lammers graduated from Barnard College and subsequently worked for the board of education of New York City as recreational director in the lower grades. For three summers she was receptionist at resort hotels, and, last summer, went to Germany as a member of an Experiment group. In the academic season of 1951-52 she was recreational director at Hibbard Community Center for the Pittsfield Park Department. She will return in September for her third year at Miss Hall's.

The Experiment program will take 500 persons, aged 16 to 30, abroad this summer to gain first hand knowledge of the customs and culture of other countries at the person-to-person level." Among them will be 60 community ambassadors from 52 communities, including Pittsfield. This season families in 18 countries in Europe and Latin America will open their homes to U.S. Experimenters. It is estimated that 25,000 have taken part in the program since its founding in 1932, including a number from Berkshire County.

Under the reverse project, 263 young persons from Austria, Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Holland, Japan, India and Sweden will live in American communities from Cabot, Vt., to Creswell, Ore. Approximately 143 will participate in a modified version of the program, living for one month with a family, visiting Eastern state teachers colleges two weeks and spending several days in Washington or New York, with time for independent travel. The others will be State Department scholarship students who will live with American families a month before a year of study at U.S. colleges and universities.

N. C. Najimy Named Envoy Of Pittsfield



Norman C. Najimy

Norman Charles Najimy, 24, of 98 Circular Avenue, a teacher at Tucker School, has been appointed Pittsfield's first community ambassador. He will leave about July 1 to spend the summer in Spain. Announcement was made today by Mrs. Wayne E. Birchard, chairman of the selection committee for the community ambassador project.

A son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Najimy, and a 1947 graduate of Pittsfield High School and Worcester State Teachers' College in 1951, the envoy-elect currently is a part-time student at North Adams Teachers College. He majored in English and social studies, and for two years studied Spanish. He was for several seasons playground leader and director.

At college he was active in the dramatic society, of which he was vice-president and treasurer, playing major roles in three productions. He was a member of the literary and glee clubs and the Newman Club, on the finance staff for student activities and took part in intra-mural sports. He was co-art editor and a member of the literary staff of the college yearbook.

In his position with the Pittsfield schools he was on the board of editors for the publication, "Your Public Schools," elementary representative to the Junior High School Social Studies Committee and a member of the salary committee.

Community Ambassador Will Be Honored at Radio Open House 9/3/53

A city-wide open house, by radio, last night was planned for Norman C. Najimy, Pittsfield's community ambassador, who today arrived from Spain. Mr. Najimy will speak over local radios early next week on his experiences of the past summer as the city's good-will envoy.

Fifteen speaking engagements have been made for Mr. Najimy, to be filled before February. Dates are open to civic, church and social organizations, whether or not they contributed to the fund of $800 raised locally to send him. He will illustrate his talks with slides made from pictures taken on his trip. Engagements may be made by calling Henry Bonnet at the Park Department office.

Mr. Najimy will resume his teaching of Grade 6 at Tucker School next Tuesday.

Mayor Gets Gift From Spain 9/16/53

Norman Najimy, public school teacher, who was the city's "ambassador" to Zaragoza, Spain, for several weeks this summer, this morning presented to Mayor Capeless, on behalf of the Jose Maria Garcia, the belenquer of Zaragoza, photographic reproductions of some of the tapestries of the Cathedral of Zaragoza.

Garcia says the collection is one of the most unique in the world and it includes originals of French and Flamenco workshops. Some of the tapestries date from the 15th and 16th centuries.

Young Adults Plan Hayride; Chairmen Named 9/18/53

The Young Adult Group, sponsored by the Park Department, will hold a hayride Oct. 20, it was decided at a committee meeting held Wednesday at Springside House.

Albert Lerner and Miss Ann Kelly were named chairmen of the event, for which reservations may be made at the Park Department.

Fifteen of the more than 40 attending the group's social attended the committee meeting. John Luckhowec reported on the possibility of sponsoring a series of foreign films, but no definite plans were made. Because no ballroom dancing instructor has been obtained as yet, the advanced square dance group will meet again next Wednesday evening from 7.30 until 9, when the social begins.

The bulletins will be resumed Oct. 1, and organizations with activities of interest to young adults are invited to submit notices to the Park Department by the 1st and 15th of each month. The October bulletin will be printed by the Misses Barbara McNeice, Katherine and Betty Hannon and Cae Hill.

A bridge group will resume meetings next month in a room now being re-decorated by the Park Department at Springside House. Those who wish to join the group are to register with Mrs. Charles R. Jordan at the Park Department, or at the weekly socials.

Miss Cae Hill and Miss Joan Mullin will represent the young adults at the city-wide Halloween committee meeting at 8 Wednesday evening at the Park Department office.

Young Adult Social Attended by 30 9/19/53

More than 30 attended the first fall social of the Young Adult Group, sponsored by the Perk Department, last night at Springside House. Square and round dancing was held.

Because a social dancing instructor has not been chosen yet, the square dance group will meet again next Wednesday evening at 7.30. Those interested also are invited to a committee meeting at that time, when a report will be made on the possibility of holding a series of foreign films, and plans discussed for the October social.

Dance Instruction Is Planned by Young Adult Group 9-24-53

Instruction in ballroom dancing will be given for the first time this year at meetings of the Young Adult Group, sponsored by the Park Department, the committee decided Wednesday evening. The Young Adult Group will meet each Wednesday evening from 7.30 to 11 at Springside House.

At Wednesday's meeting, the committee made plans to have advanced square dance instruction and ballroom dancing instruction on alternate weeks between 7.30 and 9. No ballroom dancing instructor has been appointed as yet. Monthly dinner dances will be continued again this year. The first will be the middle of October, and those attending are to make reservations.

All young adults in the city are invited to join the group, and to attend committee meetings, held every other Wednesday. No membership fee is charged.

Dances Planned For Halloween

City-Wide Committee Holds Meeting At Park Dept. 9/18/53

Four dances will be a part of the city-wide Halloween celebration, it was decided at a meeting of representatives from various organizations last night at the Park Department. No admittance fees will be charged, and orchestras will be provided.

Junior high school students will dance from 9 to 11 at the Boys' Club, and senior high, at the Masonic Temple. The young adult dance will be sponsored by the Girls' Club, which, in past years, has held a junior high dance. Entertainment, as well as square dancing, will be featured at a post-parade party at 9 at the Christian Center.

Other parties are scheduled at the Girls' Club from Wednesday through Saturday, Oct. 28 through 31, and at the Boys' Club on Saturday, Oct. 31.

Volunteer assistance for parties, dances and contests will be enlisted at a city-wide committee meeting at 8 Wednesday evening at the Park Department. Organizations are asked to send representatives, and individuals who do not represent any organization, are invited.

Last year, 42 organizations assisted. Because the celebration is aimed at the school-age group, Parent-Teacher Associations will be called upon for specific services.

9/25/53

Najimy To Speak At Women's Club First Fall Meeting

Norman C. Najimy, Pittsfield's first community ambassador in the experiment of international living, will speak at the Women's Club first fall supper meeting at 6:15 Monday night. Mr. Najimy, on the faculty of Tucker School, will give his impressions of life in Spain as he found it this summer. He also will have on exhibition various articles which he brought from Spain.

Members may make reservations for the turkey supper, which will be limited to 125. After supper, members celebrating August and September birthdays will be honored. A business meeting will follow. The financial report will be read by Miss Maud Richardson, executive treasurer; and reports of club progress and coming activities will be read by Miss Frances Gannon, executive secretary. Chairmen of the various committees also will report that night.

Mr. Najimy's talk will start at approximately 8 p.m. The evening is for members only. Special table arrangements and room decorations with a Spanish theme, are being planned under the chairmanship of Mrs. William E. Peirson.

The club will hold a card party Friday evening, Oct. 2, at the Sheraton Hotel, not Oct. 7, as was incorrectly stated yesterday.

6 Tennis Courts Planned For Junior High Schools

2-28-53

Construction of three tennis courts at each of the two new junior high schools is planned by the School Building Commission, Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of parks and recreation, disclosed today.

Details were released in a form letter sent to 27 tennis enthusiasts by Mr. Hebert. He said the commission has notified him that the courts will be available for community use in the evenings.

In keeping with the modern multi-purpose idea, the courts will have a hard black-top surface, Mr. Hebert said. He listed outdoor basketball as one form of use, and said the courts also probably would be adaptable as bases for skating rinks in the winter.

The park superintendent emphasized that his department still plans to seek funds for the erection of an additional number of courts at Deming Field. However, he said this will be at a later date.

He said that he thought the school courts would care for "the present needs of tennis enthusiasts and will contribute immeasurably to the development of greater interest throughout the city."

Tennis Finals At Camp Merrill Courts Saturday

The mixed doubles final of the Berkshire Hills tennis championship between Miss Helen Rice of Stockbridge and Charley Winter of Pittsfield against Mrs. Francis Reddy and Paul Voloscove, both of Pittsfield, was called last night because of darkness. It will be resumed on the Camp Merrill courts Saturday afternoon.

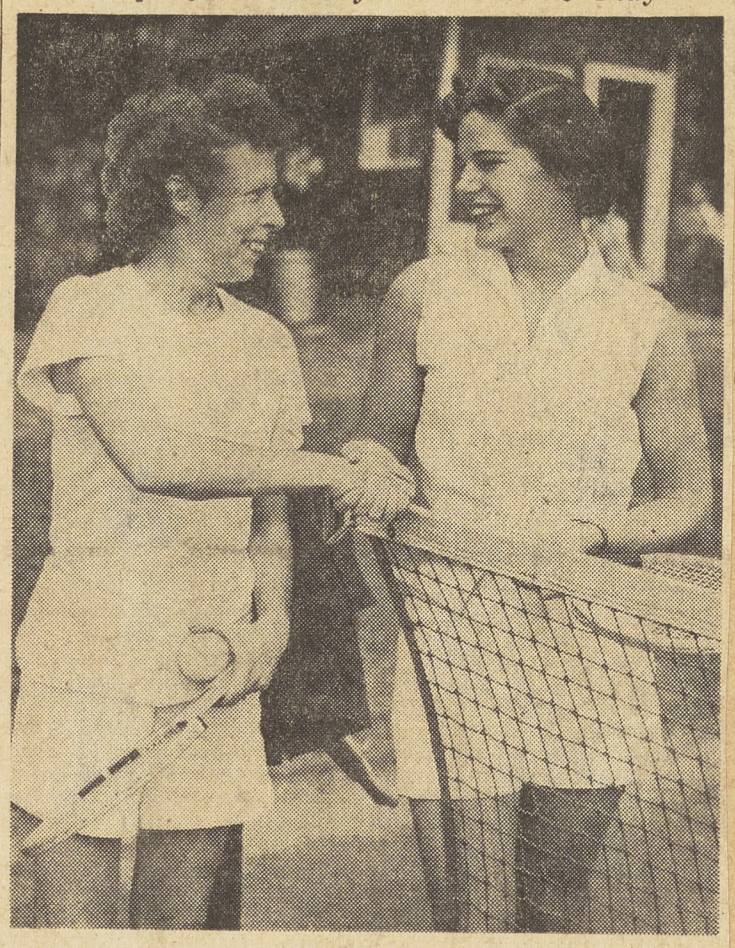
Each team had won one set when the committee ordered the competition called.

9/22/53

Manning Rallies To Clinch Berkshire Tennis Title

9/21/53

Beats 1952 Champ Deame in 5 Sets To Win for 2nd Time—Mrs. Reddy Stops Joan Kelley in Women's Play



VET IS VICTOR: Mrs. Francis Reddy of Pittsfield, the former Peg Kirby, long-time queen of area tennis courts, left, shakes hands with young Joan Kelley of Richmond before the start of their finals match in the Berkshire Hills tournament yesterday. Mrs. Reddy won 6-1, 1-6 and 6-3.

By JOHN HITCHCOCK

Wiley Ed Manning of Hinsdale, weary and reduced to running around his backhand, still managed to defeat 40-year-old Ed Deame of Pittsfield in five sets yesterday for the Berkshire Hills singles championship on the Camp Merrill courts.

Manning, the 1951 champion, breezed through Deame, the 1952 champion, with little trouble in the first two sets, 6-1, 6-3. But the Hinsdale player, although a few years younger than his opponent, ran out of gas in the third set and dropped it, 3-6. Deame, who first won the city championship in 1949, took the fourth set by the same score. It looked as if Deame "was not to be denied" as the adage goes as Manning double faulted twice in the final game and netted the last point.

Deame quickly ran up a 5-2 lead in the deciding set, when Manning let out the stops to win his serve. Deame lost his, not too much of a job as his first wasn't too pulverizing and his second was completely inoffensive; Manning then won his again to tie it at 5. Deame twice pulled ahead as he won his serve, but Manning's shots began to click again as he brought it to 7 all. The match was finally won, 9-7, as Deame netted the final point.

In the women's singles, it was experience over youth as Mrs. Margaret (Kirby) Reddy beat Miss Joan Kelley of Richmond, 6-1, 1-6, 6-3. The Miss Hall's School student displayed a powerful set of ground strokes, but Mrs. Reddy's all-around finesse was the deciding factor.

Manning, Voloscove Win

Manning, who learned his tennis fundamentals from Eleanor Tennant, World Champion Maureen Connolly's coach, teamed with Paul Voloscove to top Deame and Charles Winter in doubles play, 6-2, 6-3, 4-6, 3-6, 6-2. The winning pair last year beat Deame and Jim Sacerdote for the championship and also won in 1951.

Mixed doubles were slated for tonight at 5, but have been postponed until the courts dry.

The singles championship followed the pattern of their play in the previous two title matches, that of baseline volleying, cuts and drop shots. Neither attempted the big game, and remarkably few service aces were scored.

Manning's stategy seemed to be to keep Deame forever on the run, and Deame tried to get every shot to Manning's backhand. In the last sets, Manning ran around nearly every backhand shot to get his powerful forearm in action. The winner seemed in poor condition and unable to sustain a fast pace, while his older opponent proved to be an almost indefatigable retriever, scampering from alley to alley as Manning mixed soft cuts with his deep forearm drives.

Dyer-Bennet Loses

Manning entered the finals by disposing of Richard Dyer-Bennet of Stockbridge Saturday, 6-1, 6-3, 7-5. Deame labored 3½ hours to stop Charley Winter, 13-11, 4-6, 4-6, 6-3, 6-1.

The winning doubles players defeated Frank Thorne and Peter Rice yesterday, 6-0, 6-1, 6-1, while Deame and Winter stopped W. A. Lyall and Bruce Burnham, 5-7, 6-4, 6-1, 6-3.

In the semifinal mixed doubles play, Mrs. Kirby and Voloscove beat Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hibbard of Lenox, 6-3, 6-3, while Miss Helen Rice of Stockbridge and Winter won over Mrs. Mary Wiejaczka of Dalton and Manning, 6-4, 6-3.

The women's singles semifinals saw Mrs. Reddy turn back young Gail Pipkin of Pittsfield, 6-3, 6-3, while Miss Kelley won by default when her opponent, Miss Isabel Whalen, was unable to play.

This was the first year that women's singles' championships were held.

The singles winner won a small replica of the large sterling bowl, and other finalists received trophies of mounted miniature tennis figures. The runners-up received merchandise awards.

Probable Pitchers

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Chicago, Willis 2-0 at St. Louis, Haddi 18-9 (night).
Only game scheduled.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York, Kraly 0-2 at Boston, Henr 4-5.
Only game scheduled.

Instruction In Tennis Is Planned

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Park Department To Hold Classes For Children

The Park Department announced today it plans to conduct a tennis instruction program for children 12 and over at the Camp Merrill YMCA courts. The first sessions will be held next Tuesday from 10 to 11.30 AM and from 1 to 2.30 PM. Additional classes will be given if the demand warrants.

The registration fee is 50 cents per student and arrangements may be made at the department office, 52 School Street. Participants should bring their own rackets and sneakers. The Park Department will furnish instruction and tennis balls.

William Lyall Jr., of 47 Beverly Street, a junior and a member of the varsity tennis team at the University of Colorado, will be head instructor. He also is a member of the GEAA Tennis Club, and last summer he and his father reached the semifinals of the Berkshire Hills men's doubles tournament.

In announcing the proposed program, the Park Department said it foresees the necessity of instruction for children of school age particularly since two tennis areas will be available at the new junior high schools.

Tennis Classes Start Aug. 18

8-13-53

AUG 13 1953

Pittsfield, Aug. 12—The Department of Parks and Recreation will conduct a tennis Instruction program at the Camp Merrill YMCA tennis courts, for boys and girls of 12 and over. Interested persons are to bring their own racquets and sneakers and 50 cents for the registration fee. The instructor and tennis balls to be provided by the Park Department.

William Lyall, Jr., of Beverly St. will be the instructor. Bill is a junior at the University of Colorado, and is on the varsity tennis team. He also is a member of the GEAA Tennis Club. Last year Bill, Jr., and Bill, Sr. reached the semifinals in the men's doubles section of the Berkshire Hills Tennis tournament.

Registrations will be taken at neighborhood playgrounds or at the Park and Recreation Department office, 52 School St. Classes will start Aug. 18 at 10 and will be limited to 18 students per class.

Tennis Event Moves Into Second Round

7/9/53

Singles Matches Scheduled Tonight At Camp Merrill

The third annual Park Department-sponsored city tennis championship moved into its second stage today with one upset already scored in the women's singles divisions.

Unseeded Gale Pipkin defeated third-seeded Lillian Belair, 6-3, 2-6, 6-1, in a first-round match at the YMCA courts at Camp Merrill last night. In two other matches, unseeded Dave Lyall knocked out John Hitchcock, 6-0, 6-1, and the men's doubles team of Jim Winter and Gib Kittredge defeated Tom McClarity and Al Dumas.

Two men's singles contests are scheduled this afternoon. Pete Moeller will meet Al Dumas, and Jimmy Winter will meet Graham Blaine of Stockbridge.

Seedings Announced

Seedings and drawings were made by the city tennis committee Monday. Pittsfield's Ed Deame, the defending champion, is rated the No. 1 man to beat. Second seeded is Ed Manning of Hinsdale, the winner in 1951 the first year the tournament was played.

Richard Dyer-Bennett of Stockbridge is rated No. 3 as he makes his initial appearance in the city championship. Charley Winter of Pittsfield, a semifinalist two years in a row, holds the fourth seeded position, while Fay White of Stockbridge, is the No. 5 man.

This marks the first time a women's singles division has been included in the tournament. Top seeding has been awarded to Mrs. Margaret Reddy of Pittsfield. Miss Joan Kelley of Richmond, one of the county's ranking junior stars, is No. 2, followed by Lillian Belair and Evelyn Burleigh.

Manning and Paul Voloscove are the No. 1 ranking doubles combination. Voloscove is entered only in the doubles this year. Charley Winter and Deame hold the second seeded position, followed by Bill Lyall and Bruce Burnham, and Frank Thorne and Peter Rice.

All matches will be played on the Camp Merrill courts, which have been officially closed by the YMCA for the season, but are being maintained for the tournament by the Park Department.

Semifinals in all divisions are scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 19, with the finals on Sunday, Sept. 20.

Third Annual Net Tourney Opens Sept. 8

8-14-53

Park Department, YMCA To Sponsor Camp Merrill Event

The third annual Berkshire Hills tennis championships, an event sponsored jointly by the Park Department and the YMCA, will open Tuesday, Sept. 8, at the Camp Merrill courts. Play will continue until Sept. 20.

There will be men's singles and doubles, women's singles and mixed doubles matches. The entry fee is $1 per person and registration closes Sunday, Sept. 6.

Most of the defenders will play again. They include Eddie Deame, the men's singles champion, runner-up Ed Manning. Also entered will be the team of Manning and Paul Volscove, the doubles champs, and Deame, who reached the finals last year with Jim Sacerdote. Sacerdote, however, will not play this time.

Peg Kirby and Voloscove won the mixed doubles crown and will defend it. Helen Rice and Charley Winter were the runners-up.

The city tennis committee will conduct the event.

Net Tourney Opens at Lake On Tuesday

8-20-53

Sunday Is Last Day for Filing Registration Blanks

The third annual Berkshire Hills tennis championships, sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department and the YMCA, will open on the Camp Merrill courts Tuesday, and continue through Sept. 20.

As in other years, the winner of the men's singles will receive a large sterling hollow ware bowl. The winner must win three legs on the trophy to gain permanent possession, but will be given a small sterling replica of the bowl.

Winners of all other events, including men's doubles, mixed doubles and women's singles will get trophies. Runners-up in all events will be awarded prizes of merchandise. There will also be an award for the youngest tourney player.

Sunday is the deadline for registration. Entries may be mailed to the tennis committee, care of Park Department, 52 School Street. Registrations also will be accepted at the tennis office, Camp Merrill courts Saturday and Sunday.

Veteran Players Dominate Berkshire Tennis Tourney

9/18/53

Net Event Finishes This Week End At Camp Merrill—Seeded Players Have Little Trouble Reaching Top

By JOHN HITCHCOCK

Youth must be served, but it will do little serving in the third annual Berkshire Hills tennis tournament which will enter the advanced stages tomorrow and Sunday.

Aged Gardnar Mulloy could be considered an upstart in the field of widely scattered county tennis veterans competing on the Camp Merrill courts. Youth, however, will not be entirely overlooked, as lithe Gail Pipkin of Pittsfield and sturdy Joan Kelley of Richmond, both reached the semifinals.

The remainder of the contestants are largely long-time competitors, whose names are fixtures in local tourneys.

Blond Richard Dyer-Bennet, Stockbridge balladeer, a comparative newcomer to Pittsfield courts, tangles with well-known Edward Manning of Hinsdale tomorrow at 10 AM in the men's singles semifinals, while last year's victor, Eddie Deame of Pittsfield, tangles with Charley Winter, another Pittsfield player. Deame was top-seeded in the tourney, Manning was second; Winter, third; and Dyer-Bennet, who disposed of Sid Jaffee last night, 6-0, 6-0, fourth.

Other semifinal action will see the women's singles begin at 12.30 as Miss Pipkin, who must be all of 17, tangles with all-around athlete Mrs. Margaret (Kirby) Reddy, who picked up all the women's hardware in the recent GEAA tourney. Miss Kelley will play Miss Isabel Whalen of Pittsfield at 5.30 PM. This is the first year the event has included women's singles.

Frank Thorne and Peter Van S. Rice, fourth-seeded doubles pair, will meet last year's winners, net patriarch Paul Voloscove and Manning at 1. The other doubles play will see Deame and Winter play W. A. Lyall (who has a son as old as Ken Rosewall) and Bruce Burnham at 2.

Mixed doubles play begins at 4 with Manning and Mrs. Mary Wiejaczka meeting Miss Helen Rice of Stockbridge and Charles Winter. Miss Rice is considered by many net fans to be the classiest woman player in the area.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hibbard of Pittsfield, both masters of the cut shot, will play Voloscove and Mrs. Reddy in the other match.

The schedule for Sunday's finals is: Men's singles, 10 AM; women's singles, 12; men's doubles, 2 PM; and mixed doubles, 4 PM.

Three out of five sets will be played both days. A total of 81 persons played in the matches, conducted by the city tennis committee and sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation.

All trophies and awards will be presented following the matches on Sunday.

In brief.....

. . . Bringing an end to Pittsfield's dubious distinction as the biggest New England city without public tennis courts is an unexpected but welcome by-product of the school building program . . .

8-31-53

City Expands Its Facilities For Tennis

Six New Courts, Classes Planned At Junior Highs

By LARSON M. POWELL

Even Rip Van Winkle finally woke up, and after 20 years of deep slumber, Pittsfield's interest in tennis seems to be stirring. Next month should see one of the biggest bursts of local tennis activity since the sport went to sleep in the early 30's, and, if current plans are carried out, this revival should be more than a temporary one. As a result of the combined efforts of the Parks and Recreation Department, the School Building Commission and the School Department, Pittsfield's municipal tennis program has moved from the planning stage to one of concrete action.

Basis of much of the awakened enthusiasm for tennis is three new courts, which are being built at each of the two new junior high schools. The construction of these courts marks the city's first attempt to provide municipal tennis areas since the summer of 1938, when grass courts were built at Springside and Coolidge as a combined WPA-municipal project. Poor location, lack of publicity and maintenance funds spelled a quick finish to both of these areas and only a fenced-in plot of weeds at Coolidge remains today.

Some of the work on the new court has already been completed. Asphalt for the areas at South Junior High has been laid and this same operation will be finished at the North Junior High within the next few days. Fences and net posts will be erected and courts marked off as soon as possible.

Plenty of Use

There is little doubt that these areas will see plenty of use. In addition to providing space for enthusiasts who have already played the sport, the courts will be incorporated into the junior high athletic program. Edwin R. Grady, supervisor of physical education for the public schools, has announced that, starting this fall, tennis will become an important part of the physical education program for junior high students. Equipment and instruction will be provided for all seventh, eighth and ninth-grade gym classes, and, once enough pupils have mastered the fundamentals of the game, regular intramural competition will be started as an elective, extra-curricular activity.

Superintendent of Parks Vincent J. Hebert has already made a start towards providing the instruction that will be necessary to put tennis back on its feet in Pittsfield. The Park Department is currently conducting a series of free tennis classes at the Camp Merrill courts Monday through Friday at 10 AM and 1 PM. Eighteen boys and girls over 12 have registered for these classes, which started on Aug. 18 and will run through Sept. 4. Instructor William Lyall, active in local tennis since moving to Pittsfield from Schenectady three years ago, reports that interest and enthusiasm are high.

Although Superintendent Hebert is somewhat disappointed by the number of children participating, he fully expects interest will grow through the tennis program planned for the schools. As soon as the new courts are available, Mr. Hebert hopes to make arrangements with the School Department for their use after hours next spring and next summer when the Park Department will augment the instruction program in the schools.

Net Committee Happy

No one group could be happier about the birth of municipal tennis activity than the Park Department's tennis committee. This group has repeatedly pointed out the city's all too obvious need for public courts and recently conducted a survey which revealed that Pittsfield is the largest city in New England without municipal tennis areas. Whereas most cities which offer public surfaces have seen a rapid growth of interest in the sport, tennis in Pittsfield is played by a comparatively few citizens on the 19 private courts of the Country Club of Pittsfield, the GEAA, Camp Merrill and the Girls' Club.

The committee has done more than sit on its hands and gripe. In 1949, it was largely responsible for bringing the Bobby Riggs' troupe of professional tennis stars here. Even the tremendous interest generated by this exhibition was not enough to get local tennis moving again. Two years ago, the Park Department and its committee started the Berkshire Hills tennis championships, which has grown from a registration of about 50 in 1951 to 92 last year. The tournament this year will get under way Sept. 8 and indications are it will draw a record field.

But the pet project of the committee has never been realized. Since 1948, it has been working for the construction of four courts at Deming Field, but Superintendent Hebert's requests for capital outlay funds to do the job have been ignored. Mr. Hebert hopes that if the new courts now being built prove successful, the areas for Deming will be approved. Judging from current activity, weed-grown courts in Pittsfield are a thing of the past.

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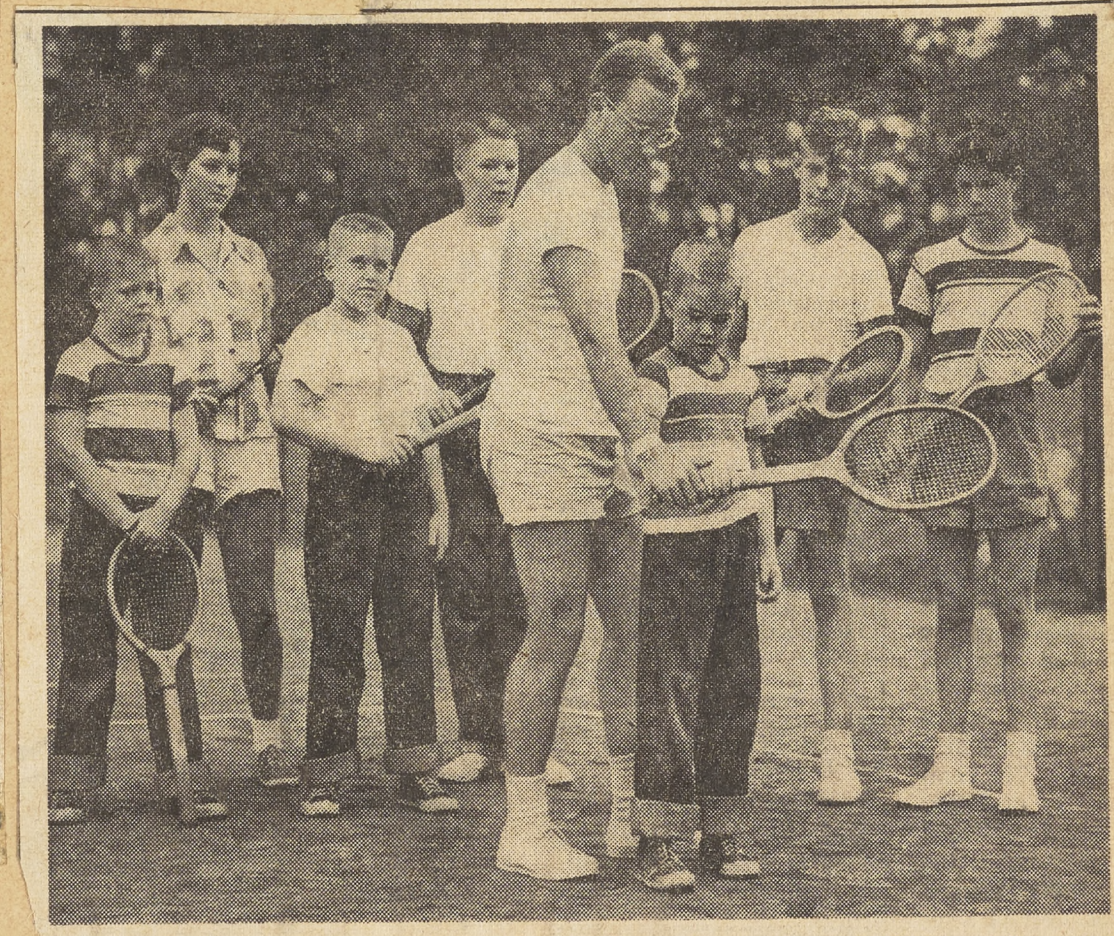
NO TENNIS TODAY: Built during WPA days this tennis court at Coolidge playground was short-lived. Lack of interest and of maintenance funds were given as reasons for the court going to seed.

Saturday, August 29, 1953.



THIS IS THE WAY: William F. Lyall, tennis instructor for the city's Parks and Recreation Department, shows Jeffrey Joyce, 8, of 259 Wahconah Street, the proper grip for a backhand stroke. Looking on, left to right, at the Camp Merrill courts where the city-sponsored classes are held, are Jack Joyce, 9; Mary Corrinet, 15, of Thomas Island; Jerry Joyce, 11; Edward Kopf, 14, of 53 Broadway; William Russell, 14, of 73 East New Lenox Road; and David Tobin, 15, of Thomas Island.

Young Adult Club Schedules Social

1-13-53

The planning group of the newly formed Young Adults' Club last night made arrangements for the club's second social event, a dinner, discussion and dance, at 6.30 Wednesday evening, Jan. 28, in the Girls' Club gymnasium. The group met at the Girls' Club.

Arrangements now are being made for a four-piece orchestra to play for round and square dancing. Dinner reservations may be made by calling the Park Department.

The next planning committee meeting will be at 7.30 Thursday evening, Jan. 22, at the Park Department office.

Young Adult Group To Plan Activities

Plans for skiing, skating, tobogganing and hiking activities will be made at a meeting of the young adult committee at 7.30 this evening at the Park Department office. A foreign film project also will be discussed, as well as results of the recent dinner and square dance.

The group will adjourn to Springside Park for skating from 8.30 to 9.30.

Young adults who wish to join the swimming party at the Boys' Club Thursday, Feb. 12, at 8 PM are requested to call the Park Department office. Eleven men and four women have enrolled. Miss Patricia Fitzpatrick is chairman of the event.

Additional committee members are sought to assume responsibility for the next young adult social, freeing those who have planned the first two events to devote their interest and time to new projects.

Dinner-Dance Scheduled by Young Adults

1-23-53

The young adults group of the Department of Parks and Recreation will hold a dinner-dance at the Girls' Club Wednesday at 6.30 PM.

Square and round dancing will follow, catered by Mrs. Charles Weatherby. Jim Willis' orchestra will furnish music and Mr. Willis will call. Couples from the Berkshire Square Dance Association will review dance formations and assist those who are unfamiliar with square dancing.

Any young adult in Pittsfield interested in attending the event is asked to make reservations with the department or a committee member by 5 PM Monday. Sixty-nine reservations have been made, and anyone calling after Monday will be placed on the waiting list.

Planning Committee

The group's second social has been planned by a committee of representatives from 14 young adult groups. Members of the executive planning committee are: Miss Katherine Wowk, Miss Joan Elliott, Miss Patricia Fitzpatrick, John Luckowec, Jan Pederson and Lyman Shivers.

Lou Stallkamp will give a short review of the progress of the group since the first representative committee meeting Nov. 20, 1952.

Plans were made at the committee meeting last night to have "sign-up sheets" for skating, skiing, hiking and swimming parties and for those interested in obtaining foreign or "classic" films. Members of the representative committee will chairman each activity and will contact all who register. Each chairman will make a report at the 7.30 PM committee meeting Thursday, Feb. 5, in the Park Department office, so all groups may be notified of the activities. Any young adult is welcome to attend all the activities planned by the group and is asked to attend committee meetings.

111 Young Adults Hold Dinner Dance At Girls' Club

1-29-53

The dinner held last night by the young adult representative committee sponsored by the Pittsfield Parks and Recreation Department, was attended by 111. Additional young people joined the group for square dancing at 8.30. The party was at the Girls' Club, in co-operation with its staff.

Three couples from the Berkshire Square Dance Association assisted the president, Jim Willis, and his orchestra, in the teaching of square dancing to 15 sets. Mrs. Charles Weatherby prepared the meal, which was served by the members.

Young adults in the city interested in helping to plan future events are urged to attend a committee meeting next Thursday at 7.30 at the Park Department office, when a schedule of events will be announced.

A young adult coed swim will take place at the Boys' Club Feb. 12 at 8 PM. Those interested are requested to telephone the office. From 16 to 30 persons have enrolled for each event.

2-1-53

Young Adults To Plan Social

Plans will be made and chairmen appointed for a February social at tonight's meeting of the Young Adults in the Park Department office at 7.

Miss Dorothy Mitchell will report on the choice of foreign films for the series beginning in April with the co-operation of the Berkshire Museum.

The group will skate tonight at Springside Park from 8 to 9.30.

All young adults are welcome to attend the meeting.

Young Adults Plan Series of Foreign Movies

2-5-53

Plans for a series of four foreign films in April were discussed at a meeting of the young adult committee attended by 21, including 11 new members, last night at the Park Department office.

The series have been arranged by the Berkshire Museum at the request of the committee. The committee will guarantee the sale of at least 100 tickets to the series. Remaining tickets will be available to the public. Miss Dorothy Mitchell, film project chairman, reported that more than 50 already had expressed an interest in attending the series.

Those who volunteered to assist Miss Mitchell in the selection of films are Miss Christina Lammers, Miss Grace Simpson, John Luckowec, Sommers T. Brown and Jack Birbaum. The selection will be made Monday evening at a meeting with Bartlett Hendricks of the Museum staff.

Miss Patricia Fitzpatrick, swimming chairman, reported that a total of 28, 11 women and 17 men, have registered for swimming next Thursday evening at 6.30 at the Boys' Club. Twelve openings still remain, and interested young adults may call the Park Department.

Louis Graham was named chairman of ski activities. Plans were made for a meeting of those interested in the sport. Those interested will be notified by telephone of the meeting date, where ski trips will be discussed and movies shown. Those interested are to call the Park Department. The group hopes to co-operate with the Mount Greylock Ski Club.

Plans for hiking activities will be made in April, it was announced.

An hour of skating at Springside Park followed.

The next meeting will be at 7 Wednesday at the Park Department, when chairmen will be named for the next social. A skating party at Springside will follow.

Young Adult Group Announces Chairmen For Social Feb. 25

2-12-53

Miss Ann Pattee and Stephen Eakman were appointed chairmen of the February social by 20 persons attending the young adult committee meeting last night in the Park Department office.

A hayride, followed by dancing to records at Kimball's Barn in Lenox, will be held Wednesday, Feb. 25. The group will meet at the Common on First Street at 7.30 for route directions and transportation. The shelter will be open, and parking space inside the gate will be available.

Reservations, limited to 75 persons, may be made by calling the Park Department before Friday, Feb. 20. Those who wish to attend only the dance do not need reservations.

James Fearon, recreation director in Chatham, N. Y., has been requested to call squares. The possibility of accordion and uke players for each wagon is being investigated.

Fliers announcing the hayride and dance, indicating the route to Kimball's Barn, will be sent to all groups and individuals who have expressed an interest in the young adult group.

Miss Patricia Fitzpatrick reminded committee members of the swim at the Boys' Club tonight at 8.

The next meeting of the young adult committee will be Wednesday evening at 7.15 in the Park Department office.

Sleighride Plans To Be Discussed

2-18-53

The Young Adult group of the Pittsfield Parks and Recreation Department will discuss tonight at the department office final plans for a sleighride to be held Wednesday. The ride will start from Kimbal's barn, Lenox and will be followed by a dance in the barn. Reservations should be made at the committee meeting, to which all interested young adults are invited, or by calling the office. Those with reservations will meet at the Common playground at 7.30. No reservations are necessary for the dance, which will start at 9.30 Direction maps are available at the office.

Also to be discussed tonight are the foreign films project and possible skiing, square dancing and swimming events.

The meeting wil be followed by skating at Springside Park.

Young Adults Plan Outing

2-19-53

Sleigh Ride, Dance Scheduled Wednesday Evening

Final plans for the Young Adult sleigh ride and dance Wednesday were made at the committee meeting attended by 22 last night.

Stephen Eakman and Miss Ann Pattee, chairmen, announced that if there is enough snow, four sleighs will be used on bridle paths, instead of hay wagons on the roads.

The group will meet at the Common Playground at 7.30, and will drive as a group to Kimball's Barn in Lenox. The sleigh riders will return to the barn for dancing, coffee and doughnuts.

40 Make Reservations

To date, 40 persons have made reservations. Reservations are limited to 75, and any young adult who wishes to participate in the ride is asked to call the Park Department before 5 PM tomorrow. Reservations are needed also for the dance. Maps, which give route directions to the barn, are available at the department office.

Name tags will be made Tuesday evening at the Park Department by the Misses Barbara Galletly, Marjorie Harrington, Jean Travers and Henry C. Slagter, Allen Lerner and John Luckowec.

Andrew T. Campoli will represent the young adults at the Berkshire County Square Dance Association meetings the first Tuesday of each month. He will report at a special meeting which will be called for the group of young adults who indicated an interest in a young adult square dance group. Additional persons interested in a square dance group are asked to leave their names at the Park Department.

Swim Planned

Miss Patricia Fitzpatrick announced that the young adult swim held last Thursday at the Boys' Club was a success. Plans are under way for another swim either a Tuesday or Thursday evening. A sign-up sheet will be available at next week's dance.

The foreign film committee reported that Bartlett Hendricks of the Museum has sent for new listings from which the committee will choose films for the series, which will begin about April 1. The young adults have guaranteed the sale of 100 tickets to the special showings scheduled before the regular summer series.

The possibility of some young adults as a service group for the American Youth Hostel at Camp Sumner was suggested. William Nelson of Hopkinton, field director for the American Youth Hostel Association, is willing to show slides to a group interested in hearing the story of hosteling. The Park Department said it will need young adults to assist with the organization of a youth hostel group in Pittsfield.

A train excursion to New York City for a play or similar program was suggested as a future project. It will be on the agenda for discussion at a meeting after the sleigh ride and dance.

75 Make Reservations For Hay Ride, Dance

2-24-53

A capacity of 75 have made reservations for the hay ride and dance to be sponsored by the young adult committee tomorrow evening according to the Park Department. An additional 18 unable to be accommodated, and other interested persons may attend the dance.

Sleigh riders are to meet at 7.30 at the Common to go to Kimball's Barn, Lenox.

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Park Department Sponsors Hayride At Pittsfield Feb. 25

The young adult group, sponsored by the Park and Recreation department, will hold a hayride and dance at Kimball's Barn in Lenox on Thursday, February 25. Reservations are limited so contact the Park Department (telephone 6486) at once.

Those who wish to attend only the dance after the hayride do not require reservations. Dancing will be to recorded music. James Fearon, director of recreation, Chatham, New York, has been invited to be a guest of the group and will call for square dancing—if able to attend. Musical accompaniment for each wagon is sought.

Young adults with reservations will meet at the "Common" playground, on First Street, at 7.30 p. m. for route directions and transportation. The shelter will be open and

Young Adult Activities Get Under Way Tonight

3-4-53

Dates will be set for the meetings of the bridge, hiking, skiing and swimming groups at tonight's meeting of the Young Adults at 7.30 in the park department office.

William Nelson, field director for the American Youth Hostel Association, will speak to interested persons during the week of March 16. A definite date has not been set.

The skating session at Springside Park after tonight's meeting has been canceled.

Young Adults Plan Social

2-5-53

Chairmen Named For Dinner, Dance And Carnival March 25

Miss Sheila Fassell and John J. Luckowec were named chairmen of the March social at a meeting of the Young Adult Group, attended by 25, last night in the Park Department office. The event, a dinner, carnival and dance, will be Wednesday, March 25.

Committee members for the social are: Miss Katherine Wowk, Miss Shirley Ives, Jack Birbaum, Andrew Campoli and Sommers Brown. Various young adult groups will construct game booths, and all young adults attending the social will compete after the dinner. Dancing to records will follow.

Square Dance Monday

Those interested in square dancing will meet at 7.30 Monday evening at the YMCA. Richard Agar of the Berkshire County Square Dance Association will instruct the group in advanced quadrilles. Stephen Eakman, who represented the Young Adults at the association's monthly meeting, arranged for the instructional session. Any young adult interested in square dancing and who has not signed up, may call the Park Department.

Louis Graham, chairman of the skiing and hiking groups, announced that skiing would be discontinued until next year. A special meeting for the hikers will be held at 8.30 Wednesday at the Park Department, following the regular committee meeting, scheduled for 7.15 PM. William Nelson, American Youth Hostel field representative will show slides and give the story of hosteling in an effort to stimulate local interest.

Miss Patricia Fitzpatrick announced a young adult swim at the Boys' Club next Thursday, if enough reservations are telephoned into the department by Tuesday.

To Publish Bulletin

Mel Blitz, Louis Graham, John Luckowec, Miss Jo Ann Maunder and Miss Patricia Fitzpatrick were appointed to plan a bulletin of city-wide young adult activities. All young adult organizations are being notified by letter of the monthly bulletin to be published by the Park Department's young adult group. Individual groups will be asked to submit notices of coming activities for publication, to be filed by the first of the month.

The bulletins will be posted throughout the city. It is hoped that such a bulletin will eliminate duplication and conflict of activities and will stimulate interest in all young adult activities offered in the city.

YMCA Young Adults Entertain Children

12-22

Twenty-six children from the Christian Center were entertained at a Christmas party last evening by the YMCA young adults.

The program included a western film, donated by the Movie Mart, Santa Claus, gifts, and refreshments.

Representative Of Youth Hostels Will Speak Here

2-10-53

William A. Nelson, field representative of the American Youth Hostels Inc., will present the story of hosteling at 9 tomorrow evening at the YMCA. The program is sponsored by the hiking group of the Parks and Recreation Department young adult group. The public is invited without charge. Slides of hosteling will be included in the program.

The Park Department, in co-operation with the YMCA, hopes to interest a number of persons in forming a service group for the Pittsfield Hostel at Camp Sumner which operated for the first time last summer, and also hopes to further the hostel movement in the Berkshires. Last summer, 198 overnight guests registered at the hostel at Camp Sumner, representing five nations and six states.

The American Youth Hostel is a "nonprofit, tax exempt corporation organized for the following principles: To establish hostels for all, especially youth, along bicycle trails, footpaths, waterways, horseback and ski trails of America; to provide opportunities for inexpensive recreational outdoor travel at home and abroad; to further mutual understanding among peoples of all lands."

Thirty adults attended the square dance instruction session at the YMCA last night. Instruction in contras and quadrilles was given by Richard Agar from the Berkshire County Square Dance Association.

The young adult committee will meet tomorrow evening at 7.15 at the Park Department to make final plans for the dinner, carnival and dance March 25. Final plans for foreign films will be announced.

Tickets Available For Foreign Film Series at Museum

3/18/53

Tickets for a foreign film series starting Wednesday, April 15, at the Berkshire Museum will be distributed tonight at a meeting of the sponsoring Young Adult Committee. Tickets may also be obtained by calling the Park Department.

Other business at tonight's meeting will include a discussion of final plans for a social next Wednesday night. The deadline for dinner and dancing reservations is Monday afternoon at 5. John Luckowec and Miss Sheila Fassell are chairmen.

Miss Christina Lammers, a member of the young adult group who spent last summer in Germany as a member of an experimental project in international living, will present a community ambassador program to the organization here.

Young adults interested in forming a bridge group are requested to meet at the Park Department office at 9 tonight after the meeting. The Women's Club has offered to conduct bridge classes if at least 64 persons join. The cost is $5 for a 10-lesson series. The Women's Club will also offer its hall to the group the first and second Fridays of each month.

Young Adults To Hold Social At Girls' Club

Foreign Film Series To Begin April 15 at Museum

3-12-53

The young adult committee of the Park Department announced last night that the social scheduled for Wednesday, March 25, will be held at the Girls' Club.

A buffet dinner, catered by Mrs. Charles Weatherby, will begin at 6.30 PM. The carnival idea was postponed until warm weather when the affair could be held outdoors.

Miss Dorothy Mitchell announced that the foreign film series would begin Wednesday, April 15, at the Museum and would run on the following Wednesdays: April 29, May 6 and May 13. The Young Adult group has guaranteed the sale of 100 tickets.

Dance Instruction

Stephen Eakman reported that the square dance instruction session on Monday was successful. The Misses Grace Simpson, Betty Minneci and Barbara Hutchinson and John Luckowec volunteered to plan the next instruction session.

Andrew T. Campoli and Jack Birnbaum announced that young adults interested in a bridge group will meet Wednesday at 9 PM in the Park Department office after the regular committee meeting at 7.30. The possibility of co-operating with the existing bridge programs at the Women's Club is being investigated as the young adult group does not want to duplicate activities being offered.

Hosteling Talk

Thirty-two young adults attended the hiking group meeting at the YMCA last night to hear the story of hosteling, presented by William A. Nelson, field representative of American Youth Hostels Inc. Mr. Nelson showed slides of hosteling by foot and bicycle and described the opportunities for skiers to make use of the low-rate hostels in Vermont and New Hampshire. Pamphlets describing hostel trips this summer were distributed. Mr. Nelson plans to spend more time in the Berkshires this spring and summer working for the hostels.

He said he would like to have a Pittsfield group plan hostel routes from Pittsfield to the many interesting spots in the Berkshires. These maps could then be made available to the hostelers who come to Pittsfield and for Pittsfield people interested in short trips from the local hostel at Camp Sumner.

Movie Series Opens April 15

3-16-53

Park Dept. Group, Berkshire Museum Will Sponsor Films

A spring series of four first-run movies and one old classic will be presented co-operatively by the Berkshire Museum's Little Cinema and the Young Adult Club of the Park Department.

Performances will be held Wednesday evening only, starting April 15. To accommodate as many persons as possible, two showings, not continuous, will be presented. The theatre will be cleared after the first seating.

Series tickets are avalaible now at the Berkshire Museum, at the Park Department office and from members of the club. Tickets to individual programs will be sold the evening of the performance, if seats still are available.

The new British drama, "White Corridors," starring Googie Withers, Barry Jones and Moria Lister, will open the series April 15. The picture, which ran for many weeks on Broadway, tells a serious story of hospital life but does not hesitate to poke fun at the red tape of Britain's socialized medicine.

Double Feature

A double feature program, "Pennywhistle Blues" and "The Big Day" (Jour de Fete), will be presented April 29. Originally called, "The Magic Garden," the first movie was filmed in Africa with an all-native cast, and a gay picture musical theme. The second film introduces Jacques Tati and is a Borrah Minevitch presentation. It is a story of a French village and of a postman who is inspired to heroic speed and daring after seeing too many movies describing the mechanized swiftness and efficiency of the United States postal service.

On May 6, Pittsfieldians can see Marlene Dietrich in "The Blue Angel," the 1930 film which made her famous.

The series will conclude May 13 with the Glasgow Theatre Players in "The Brave Don't Cry," which was directed by John Grierson, noted movie writer and producer of documentary films. The film tells the story of a man's courage in the face of disaster and was inspired by a recent Scottish colliery rescue. Unlike other such films, this one does not attempt to point a moral or place the blame.

Young Adult Social

The March Young Adult social, sponsored by the Pittsfield Department of Parks and Recreation, will be held on Wednesday, March 25th, at the Girls' Club, according to an announcement by chairman John Luckowec.

A buffet-style dinner will be served and dancing to Larry Murphy's orchestra will follow.

Call John Luckowec for reservations before March 25.

Young Adults Invited To Square Dance

The Young Adult Club invites all young adults to attend the square dance at the YMCA Tuesday evening, March 31, at 8.

Richard Agar of the Berkshire County Square Dance Association will instruct in contra, quadrilles and folk dances.

Dance Instructor Named For Young Adult Social

10/5/54

Donald West will instruct square dancing at a meeting of the Young Adults of the Park Department tomorrow evening at Springside House. Mr. West is a member of the Berkshire Square Dance Assn.

Round dancing, checkers, caroms and bridge also will be available. All young adults 18 years and older are invited.

Larry Murphy To Play At Young Adult Event

Larry Murphy's orchestra will play at the dinner-dance to be sponsored by the young adult group of the Park Department on Wednesday evening, March 25, at the Girls' Club.

Reservations are necessary for the dinner only, and are to be made at the Park Department office by next Monday.

3-16-53

Young Adults Hear Talk by Miss Lammers

3-19-53

She Explains Ambassador Program Of Living Experiment

Miss Christine Lammers explained the community ambassador program of the Experiment in International Living at a meeting of the Young Adult Group last night at the Park Department office.

Miss Lammers, who will spend her second summer in Europe this year, as a group leader, said that $750 would be needed to send a Pittsfield ambassador to Europe this summer.

All Pittsfield groups are being called upon to contribute to this project. Financial assistance entitles the group to a free lecture by the ambassador during the following year. Young Adults are assisting with mail distribution of community ambassador information.

Miss Grace Simpson and John Luckowec will be representatives at the community ambassador planning meeting Monday evening, March 30, at 8 in Pittsfield High School. Hank Borgese from the Putney School Experiment in International Living will speak at the meeting, to which the public is invited.

Social Wednesday

Thirty-five reservations have been made for the young adult social at 6.30 PM next Wednesday at the Girls' Club, John Luckowec, chairman, announced. Reservations for the turkey dinner will be limited to 100, and must be made at the Park Department office by 5 PM Monday.

Dancing from 8 to 11 will follow. No reservations are needed for the dance.

April 1 will be the deadline for the sale of 146 foreign film series tickets, which were distributed at last night's meeting. More than 50 tickets already have been sold for the series, sponsored by the Berkshire Museum and the young adult group. The series will start April 15.

Other Activities

Young adults interested in hiking are to meet at the Park Department at 1.30 Sunday afternoon. The group will drive to the Pleasant Valley Bird Sanctuary in Lenox and hike from there to the fire tower or some other spot. They will return to Pittsfield at 5 PM.

A free evening of bridge has been planned for 8.30 Thursday evening, March 26, at Springside House. Instruction for beginners will be given without charge.

Richard Agar of the Berkshire County Square Dance Association will instruct in contra, quadrilles and folk dances at a meeting of the square dance group at 8 Tuesday evening in the YMCA. All interested young adults are invited, and a collection will be taken to cover the hall rental. Those in charge of arrangements are Miss Barbara Hutchinson, Miss Grace Simpson, Miss Betty Minneci and Stephen Eakman.

The next committee meeting will be at 7.30 Wednesday, April 1, at the Park Department.

re Than 100 Dinner Dance Young Adults

3/24/53

More than 100 attended the Young Adult Group dinner dance last night at the Girls' Club. Mrs. Charles Weatherby catered, and Larry Murphy's orchestra played for dancing.

Mrs. Charles R. Jordan, supervisor of recreation for the Park Department, reviewed the group's progress since its organization in November. Bridge, hiking and square dance groups have been formed, and interested young adults are invited.

The bridge group will meet at 8.30 tonight at Springside House, where Jack Birnbaum will instruct beginners. An advanced group also will play. There will be no charge.

Group Meetings

The hiking group will meet at 1.30 Sunday at the Park Department for transportation to the Taconic Trail, where they will have their second hike. Hugh Moore will lead the group. Last Sunday's hike was attended by 11 women and 9 men.

Richard Agar of the Berkshire Square Dance Association will teach quadrilles, contras and folk dances at the second instruction session of the square dance group at 8 Tuesday evening in the YMCA. The session is open to all young adults over 18 years of age. No admittance fee will be charged, but a collection will be taken to cover rental of the hall.

The group is invited to attend the community ambassador project meeting at 8 Monday evening in Pittsfied High School, Mrs. Jordan said. Henry Borgese of the Experiment in International Living will speak.

The next committee meeting will be Wednesday evening at 7.30 in the Park Department office. The bulletin committee will meet after the regular meeting to prepare the first bulletin of young adult activities in Pittsfield. Organizations have been asked to submit notices by the 1st and 15th of each month to be compiled and posted in the Berkshire Athenaeum and other places. Organizations who send notices will be put on the mailing list.

Young Adults To Study Bridge Tonight; Plan Youth Hostel Tomorrow

3-24-53

The Young Adult group will make final reports on the sale of foreign film tickets at a meeting tonight at 7.30 at the Parks Department office. Series tickets will continue on sale at the department office and the Berkshire Museum until the first show, Wednesday, April 15. Plans also will be made for the hike Sunday.

Bridge instruction for beginners and intermediates will be given tonight at Springside House. There will also be an opportunity for the advanced to play. A ping-pong table is set up in a separate room for those not interested in bridge, but would like to attend.

The American Youth Hostel representative, William A. Nelson, will be in Pittsfield tomorrow and Friday. Persons interested in discussing hosteling with Mr. Nelson should contact the Parks Department. Members of the Young Adult group will meet with Mr. Nelson tomorrow evening to assist with plans for the 1953 season of the youth hostel at Camp Sumner.

4 Skaters Set Perfect Marks In City Meet on the Common

2/11/54

Ed Plouffe, Paul Robarge, Marta Brown And William McKeever Win All the Races In Their Division—Ice Is Excellent

Four skaters, three boys and a girl, compiled perfect records last night in the annual winter carnival city meet on ideal ice at the Common.

Sweeping all the events in their respective divisions were intermediate Edward Plouffe, junior Paul Robarge, and midgets Billy McKeever and Marta Brown. Each scored 90 points and won trophies.

Plouffe won the intermediate boys 220, 440 and 880-yard events, Robarge took the same races in the junior boys' class, McKeever won the 110, 220 and 440-yard tests in the midgets, and Marta Brown won the 110 and 220-yard and one-sixth-mile races in the midget girls' division.

No Stopping Them

There was no stopping this versatile quartet of youngsters. They completely outclassed their competitors in every event.

Ruth Ann Bowling, a junior girl racer, scored 70 points and took the trophy in her division as she won the 220 and placed second in the 440 and 880. Tommy Mierzejewski rolled up 60 points and the trophy in the special midget boys class as he beat out Joseph Ancora in the 110 and 220-yard events. Patricia Smith was another 60-point winner as she took the special midget girls' 110 and 220, nosing out Linda Gale in both events.

Fifty-three young skaters, none of whom has ever raced in sanctioned competition or belonged to the Pittsfield Parks Skating Club, tested their talent in 30 events. The meet started promptly at 6:30, and all the races were completed within two hours. There were no entries in the senior boys', or senior and intermediate women's classes.

Exhibition Races

Members of the Parks Skating Club, refreshed after their rigorous trials in the North American championships last weekend, participated in exhibition races last night between the regular events. Skaters exhibiting their form were Jimmy (Mouse) Brown, David Tobin, Barry Hollister, Robert and Paul Cantarella, Patricia Hogue, Mary Lou Bromback, Daryl Messer, Keyeburn and Joann Hollister and Mary Corrinet, most of whom received their start in city meet races.

The Common ice, as it was over the weekend, was in excellent condition. Medals and trophies were presented by Carnival Queen Connie Dillon. The rink was opened to the public after the last race.

Officials for the meet were: Francis Douglas, clerk of course; Louis O. Conway, referee; Alfred Basiliere, starter; Maurice Corrinet, James Tobin, Sumner Gamwell and Willard Yeats, place judges; John Bromback, Steve Terpak, Wilfred Hogue and Donald Wells, corner judges; Norman Hollister and Alex Garnish, timers; Mrs. Robert Kennelly, registrar; Jimmy Brown, messenger; and Henry Bonnet, announcer.

William St. James was in attendance for the Berkshire County chapter, American Red Cross.

The summary:

Intermediate Boys

220 yards—1st, Edward Plouffe; 2nd, Edward Cook; 3rd, Ronald Bilodeau.
440 yards—1st, Edward Plouffe; 2nd, Edward Cook; 3rd, Ronald Bilodeau.
880 yards—1st, Edward Plouffe; 2nd, Edward Cook; 3rd, Ronald Bilodeau.
Trophy winner: 0 Edward Plouffe—9 points.

Junior Boys

220 yards—1st, Paul Robarge; 2nd, Jerry Parker; 3rd, David Viner.
440 yards—1st, Paul Robarge; 2nd, Alan Hunt; 3rd, John Wasuk.
880 yards—1st, Paul Robarge; 2nd, Jerry Parker; 3rd, Alan Hunt.
Trophy winner: Paul Robarge—90 points.

Juvenile Boys

220 yards—1st, Robert Battistani; 2nd, Dan Pemble; 3rd, Harry DiGrigol.
440 yards—1st, Donald Wasuk; 2nd, Harry DiGrigol; 3rd, Richard Martin.
880 yards—1st, Dan Pemble; 2nd, Richard Martin; 3rd, Donald Wasuk.
Trophy winner: Dan Pemble—50 points.

Midget Boys

110 yards—1st, William McKeever; 2nd, Gary Soldato; 3rd, Tom Stevens.
220 yards—1st, William McKeever; 2nd, Walter McHendry; 3rd, Tom Varanka.
440 yards—1st, William McKeever; 2nd, Tom Varanka; 3rd, Walter McHendry.
Trophy winner: William McKeever—90 points.

Special Midget Boys

110 yards—1st, Tom Mierzejewski; 2nd, Joseph Ancora; 3rd, Gerald Terpak.
220 yards—1st, Tom Mierzejewski; 2nd, Joseph Ancora; 3rd, Gerald Terpak.
Trophy winner: Tom Mierzejewski—60 points.

Junior Girls

220 yards—1st, Ruth Ann Boling; 2nd, Barbara Grace; 3rd, Diane Rushbrook.
440 yards—1st, Penny Potter; 2nd, Ruth Ann Boling; 3rd, Barbara Grace.
880 yards—1st, Penny Potter; 2nd, Ruth Ann Boling; 3rd, Barbara Grace.
Trophy winner: Ruth Ann Boling—70 points.

Midget Girls

100 yards—1st, Marta Brown; 2nd, Peggy Madden; 3rd, Dorethy Lewis.
220 yards—1st, Marta Brown; 2nd, Peggy Madden; 3rd, Dorethy Lewis.
one-sixth mile—1st, Marta Brown; 2nd, Peggy Madden; 3rd, Helen Wood.
Trophy winner: Merta Brown—90 points.

Special Midget Girls

110 yards—1st, Patricia Smith; 2nd, Linda Gale; 3rd, Helen Lazzari.
220 yards—1st, aPtricia Smith; 2nd, Linda Gale; 3rd, Helen Nugai.
Trophy winner: Patricia Smith—60 points.

Park Skaters Earn Points In Two Meets

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Several members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club scored points in two indoor meets at Worcester and Boston over the weekend.

On Saturday, juvenile star Jimmy (Mouse) Brown earned a double victory in the 440 and 880-yard events, while Bobby Cantarella, another juvenile, placed second in the 440 and third in the 880.

Pat Hogue won both the 440 and 880-yard titles in the midget girls' division, and Mary Lou Bromback took second in the 400 and third in the 880 in the junior girls' class.

On Sunday, Paul Cantarella was third in the special midget 220, and Mary Corrinet was second in the junior girls' 440.

Many Outstanding Stars Entered in 1954 North

Newburgh's Jay Hasbrouck Has Compiled Great Record

Nelson Brothers, Bobby and Skip, Leading Racers on Flushing Team— Over 200 Skaters Already Registered

By JOHN VANDER VOORT

More than 200 entries have been filed, and the number is expected to exceed 250 by the time the 1954 North American speed skating championships open here Saturday afternoon on the Common. The meet is a feature of the Park Department's annual winter carnival festival.

Skaters representing clubs from all over the United States and Canada will compete in the two-day races that rank as the most important outdoor event on the sanctioning American Amateur Skating Union's schedule.

3 Visiting Stars

The host Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club has several outstanding competitors able to hold their own with any of the visitors. But all of them will find it almost impossible to match records with three New York boys, who can be expected to add more medals and trophies to their collections during the North Americans.

Two of them, 11-year-old Skip Nelson, and his 13-year-old brother, Bobby, are members of the Flushing Meadow Speed Skating Club. The other is Clifford (Jay) Hasbrouck, an intermediate star for the Newburgh Skating Club.

Of the three, Hasbrouck is the most outstanding. Last season alone, he won intermediate-division titles in 10 meets. These included the Glens Falls outdoor, the Eastern States indoor and outdoor, and the Hudson Valley, Tri-State, Long Island, Lake Placid, New York State, Lynn Derby and North American indoor championships.

North American Records

In the North Americans, he broke three intermediate records in the 220-yard event, and finished third in the three-quarter-mile race despite a bad spill in an early lap. He also won medals in the Berkshire Hills meet here last winter, the New York City Carnival, the Knights of Pythias invitation meet, the Massachusetts state championship and the Brooklyn metropolitan meet. Hasbrouck will compete as a senior in the North Americans.

Bobby, a juvenile skater, has compiled the most impressive record in the Nelson family. In 1953, he won the New England juvenile crown at Brighton, and the 220, 440 and 660-yard championships in the New York City metropolitan meet.

So far in this year's competition, he has won the juvenile Silver Skates title, was runner-up in the Glens Falls meet, won the New York Daily Mirror ice carnival crown, and holds 10 consecutive victories in Brooklyn handicap races.

Common Ice Good

Skip, meanwhile, was runner-up in the Silver Skates midget competition, won the metropolitan 220 and 440-yard events, the Long Island indoor title, the Flushing Meadow ice carnival crown and was runnerup in the Glens Falls meet.

Hasbrouck and the Nelson boys are only three of a cluster of stars who will be competing here Saturday and Sunday. Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert said today that the race course at the Common was in good condition. However, he is holding an alternate area on Onota Lake near Peck's Road and Thomas Island in reserve in case the Common ice melts.

Mrs. John J. Landers, chairman of the winter sports committee housing board, reported that arrangements for securing accommodations for the visiting skaters are progressing well. However, more rooms still are needed.

FLASHY THREESOME from New York State skating clubs are 11-year-old Skip Nelson of Flushing, left, Newburgh's Jay Hasbrouck, center, and Skip's older brother, Bobby. These three stars are among many who are entered in the North American speed skating championships here Saturday and Sunday.

1-28-54

Ski Meet Postponed At State Forest; Not Enough Snow

The 13th annual Berkshire interscholastic ski meet, scheduled tomorrow and Saturday at the Pittsfield State Forest and Goodell Hollow, has been postponed, Chairman George F. (Doc) Maynard said this noon.

The meet will be held either next week, Feb. 5-6, or Friday and Saturday, Feb. 12-13. A decision will be made in a day or so.

Even with last night's two inches of new snow, there isn't enough on any of the trails to conduct the races, Maynard said.

Conflicting Contests

Interscholastic Ski Meet Scheduled at 3 Locations

The once-postponed 13th annual Berkshire interscholastic ski meet will be held at three different locations on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 12-13.

This important USEASA-sanctioned event was originally scheduled Jan. 29-30, but poor snow conditions at Pittsfield State Forest and Goodell Hollow forced a postponement.

Race Chairman George F. (Doc) Maynard said today that the downhill and cross-country portions of the four-phase meet will be run at the state forest Friday. The jumping will take place Saturday morning at Lenox Prep School. The school has its own hill and while slightly smaller than those usually used in the interscholastics, it will assure leaps up to 50 feet.

Conflict Problem

Faced with the problem of conflicts with other sanctioned meets, the interscholastic race committee has decided to run its slalom in conjunction with the Berkshire junior slalom at Otis Ridge Saturday afternoon, the 13th.

Maynard explained that the majority of school teams entered in the interscholastics were also racing at Otis. So, in fairness to the teams, both events will be conducted simultaneously.

Interscholastic skiers who wish to have their slalom times entered in the Otis race may do so by paying the 50-cent fee to Dave Judson, Berkshire slalom race chairman.

Actually, the Otis area affords the juniors a much better run than at either the state forest here or Goodell Hollow, the Mount Greylock Ski Club's area in South Williamstown. Judson has a 1,500-foot slalom slope, that is steep and long enough to test the skill of even the best racers.

4 Best Times Count

Five skiers from each school team may compete in each of the events, but only the four best times will count in the official standings. USEASA rules will apply throughout the meet.

Hot soup, crackers and hot chocolate will be served in the Congregational Church kitchen in Otis at 11:30 a.m. before the slalom starts at noon.

Local Skaters Place Second At Saranac

2/13/54

The Pittsfield Speed Skating Club placed second in the weekend meet at Saranac Lake, N.Y., won handily by the host club.

Saranac had a total of 420 points, while Pittsfield was far behind with 260.

Mary Lou Bromback won a trophy as outstanding girl skater, although she tied with Jean Ashworth of Wilmington, N.Y. Miss Bromback came in first in the 880 and 440 races ond second in the 220 and one-sixth mile.

Jimmy Brown was second in the juvenile boys' 440 and third in 220, while Daryl Messer was third in the girls' 220. Patty Hogue took second in the midget girls' 220 and one-sixth mile events. Paul Cantarella won both the 110 and 220 in the special midget class.

There will be a meeting of all speed skaters tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. at the Park Department office to complete plans for the meet next week at Wilmington, N.Y.

N.A. Title Races on Common

A decision was reached today by the Park Department to conduct the 1954 North American speed skating championships on the Common. As many as 300 contestants from Canadian and American skating clubs will compete in the two-day meet, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 6-7.

Supt. Vincent J. Hebert said the decision to use the Common was based on good base and ice conditions and the heating facilities at that area. He also pointed out that it was near the center of the city, readily accessible for spectators.

Wahconah Park and Onota Lake were also considered as locations for the meet, but were eliminated when the Common was chosen. However, if a sudden thaw should develop, the meet will be conducted at Onota.

A six-lap track will be laid out on the Common, which will be long enough to hold all 32 races.

1-19-54

Fishing Contest At Pontoosuc, Onota Sunday

The annual city-wide fishing contest to be sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department will be held Sunday. For the first time both Onota and Pontoosuc Lakes will be used. The competition will start at 10 AM. Entry fees for men and women will be 50 cents. Children may enter free.

Stream Line Anglers Postpone Ice Derby

The Berkshire Stream Line Anglers have postponed their annual ice fishing derby from Sunday to Sunday, Feb. 15. Mrs. Robert B. Deloye, president, said the change was made to avoid conflict with the winter carnival fishing derby scheduled for Sunday.

Ice Fishing Derby Is Tomorrow

2-7-53

With more than $100 in fishing equipment and tackle at stake a large number of competitors are expected to participate in the annual winter carnival ice fishing derby tomorrow at Pontoosuc and Onota Lakes. The event is open to men, women, and children. A 50-cent entry fee will be charged adults 18 and over but all under that age will be eligible without paying a fee.

The veteran police patrolman, Andrew J. Miller, is derby chairman but because he is hospitalized the Parks and Recreation Department, sponsor of the derby, has asked James H. Frank, Pittsfield Anglers' League president, to assist in directing the event. The following sportsmen's clubs are co-operating: Pittsfield, Lakewood, Berkshire Stream Line Anglers, and PAL Club.

Headquarters for the derby will be at Lakeview Restaurant, Pontoosuc Lake, and at the foot of the Navy Boulevard, Onota Lake, where a trailer is being furnished by Ray Dean of Dean Trailer Sales, Cheshire.

Derby Rules

The derby rules follow:

1. All entrants must register, to be eligible to compete. Entries will be accepted starting at 9 AM, and all fish must be checked in before 4 PM.
2. Prizes will be offered for the heaviest, longest, and biggest legal catch of fish. Only one prize will be awarded per person.
3. Pooling of fish will eliminate contestant from consideration for prize.

Mr. Frank said today that he has been assured of the services of many volunteers from the sportsmen's clubs, to assist in conducting the derby. The Berkshire Stream Line Anglers postponed their derby scheduled for tomorrow for a week so as not to conflict with the winter carnival event.

As of noon today, the derby was still on despite weather that washed out most other winter outdoor activities.

Many Prizes Being Offered In Fish Derby

2/5/53

Over $100 in prizes will be awarded to winners in the Park Department's ice fishing derby at Onota and Pontoosuc Lakes Sunday. This will be the final event of the 1953 winter carnival.

The derby is open to children and adults. Youngsters under 18 can enter free; adults will be charged a 50-cent registration fee. The event will run from 10 AM to 4 PM. Prizes will be given for the longest and biggest catches.

February 5,

FISHING DERBY PREVIEW: Representatives of co-operating sportsmen's clubs and Henry A. Bonnett of the sponsoring Parks and Recreation Department inspect some of the more than $100 worth of tackle and equipment which will be awarded at the city winter carnival ice fishing derby Sunday at Pontoosuc and Onota Lakes. Police Officer Andrew J. Miller is chairman of the derby but because he is confined to St. Luke's Hospital, James H. Frank, president of the Pittsfield Anglers' League, has been named as his assistant. Left to right are: Mr. Frank; Merritt E. Chapman, vice-president of the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club; Mr. Bonnett; Mrs. Robert B. Deloye, president of the Berkshire Stream Line Anglers; and John DiOrio, director of the Lakewood Sportsmen's Club.

Fishing Derby For Children Announced

8-18-53

Annual Event To Be Saturday At Pontoosuc

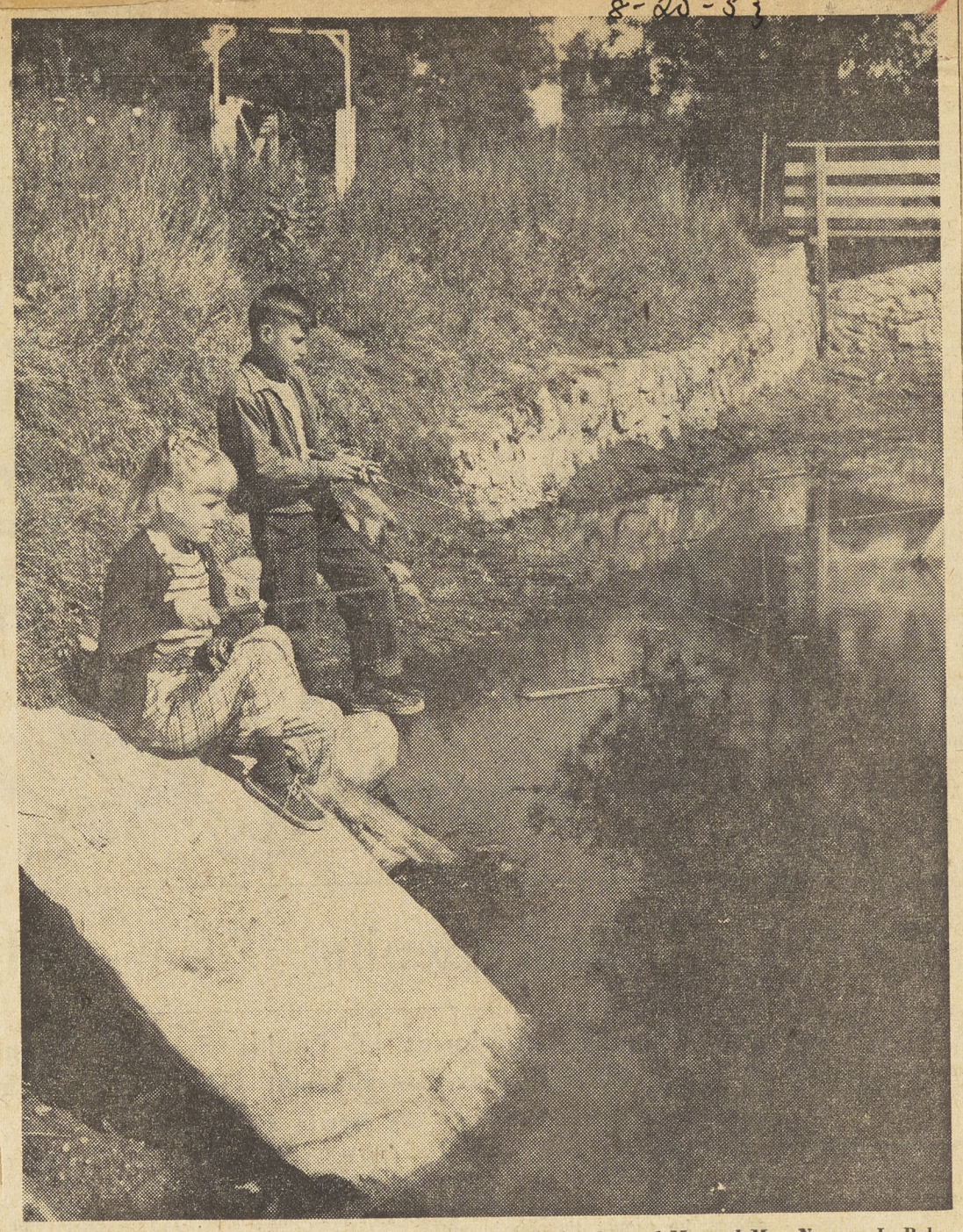
Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of parks and recreation, announced today that the annual summer fishing derby for boys and girls will be held Saturday, from 10 AM to 2 PM at Pontoosuc Lake. Andrew J. Miller, retired police officer and past president of the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club, will be honorary chairman. He has headed this event as well as the ice fishing derby for several years.

Representatives of three sportsmen's clubs are assisting in the promotion of the derby. They are: Raymond C. Tart, president, and James H. Frank, past president of the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club; Wilfred J. Lamoureux, president of the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club; and Mrs. Robert B. Deloye, president of the Berkshire County Stream Line Anglers.

The derby is open to youngsters 15 years of age and under. Children under 10 will not be permitted to register unless accompanied by their parents. Fishing will be from shore only.

Mr. Hebert said today that 30 or more prizes will be awarded for the best catches.

8-20-53



FISHING DERBY TUNE-UP: Terry Baker, 6, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman L. Baker of 154 Mohegan Street, and Gene Laycock, 10, son of Mrs. Mary R. Laycock of 65 Memorial Drive, practice at Springside Pond for the children's fishing derby to be held Saturday from 10 AM to 2 PM at Pontoosuc Lake. Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert of the sponsoring Parks and Recreation Department emphasizes that although the event is open to boys and girls 15 years of age and under, no youngster under 10 years will be permitted to participate unless accompanied by an adult.

Rules, Prizes Listed for Fishing Derby

8/21/53

Children's Event To Be Tomorrow At Pontoosuc

Rules and prizes were announced today by the Parks and Recreation Department for the annual summer fishing derby for children tomorrow from 10 AM to 2 PM at Pontoosuc Lake. The event is open to boys and girls 15 years of age and under.

The grand prize will be a glass casting rod; second prize, a reel; third, 50 yards of 12-pound test nylon line. Also to be awarded are 12 Ashway handy fishing kits and 12 pan fish drop lines.

The rules follow:

1. All contestants must register before 10 AM at Pontoosuc Lake bathing beach.
2. No contestant may be over 15 years of age (under legal license age).
3. All fishing must be done from shore.
4. All children under 10 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.
5. Each contestant must furnish his own equipment and bait.
6. Contestants must catch and land fish without assistance to be eligible for a prize.
7. All fish entered in the contest must be taken to the judges' stand at the bathing beach where they will be weighed and counted.
8. Massachusetts fishing laws must be observed by all contestants.

Andrew J. Miller, past president of the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club, is honorary chairman of the fishing derby. Assisting him are James H. Frank, past president of the Pittsfield Anglers' League; Bill Pollack, district wildlife manager; Edward R. Knurow, conservation officer; Mrs. Robert B. Deloye, president of the Berkshire Stream Line Anglers; Wilfred J. Lamoreux, president of the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club; and Raymond C. Tart, president of the Pittsfield Anglers' Club.

45 Children Compete in Fishing Derby

8-24-53

Duncan Shultz, Claudette Le Febvre Win Major Prizes

Duncan Shultz, 12, of 48 Reed Street and Claudette LeFebvre, 15, of Narragansett Avenue were the major prize winners in the annual summer fishing derby Saturday, from 10 AM to 2 PM, at Pontoosuc Lake under sponsorship of the Parks and Recreation Department and Better Fishing Inc. Duncan was awarded a glass casting rod for catching the largest fish, a one-pound, one-ounce pickerel, and Claudette received a similar prize for snagging a total of 33 fish of all kinds. She was repeat winner having won first prize in the girls' division of last year's derby.

Second prize, a reel, went to 12-year-old James Goyette of 48 Spring Street who caught 31 fish. Tied for third were Daniel Dillon, 20 Forest Place, and William Dobelle, 769 North Street, who each caught 21 fish. Daniel was given 50 yards of nylon line and William a fishing kit.

Forty-five children participated in the derby catching a total of 223 fish. Each was awarded a prize—fishing kits and drop lines—awarded by Better Fishing Inc., which also provided the major prizes.

Andrew J. Miller, past president of the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club, was honorary chairman of the event which was supervised by representatives of the three local sportsmen's clubs and Conservation Officer Edward R. Knurow.

Fishing Derby Is Listed Today at Pontoosuc Lake

8-25-53

Pittsfield, Aug. 21—The Parks and Recreation Department will hold its annual fishing derby for children Saturday from 10 to 2 at Pontoosuc Lake. The event is open to boys and girls 15 years of age and under.

Grand prize will be a glass casting rod, second prize, a reel, third, 50 yards of 12-pound test nylon line. Awards of 12 fishing kits and 12 pan fish drop lines also will be given.

Honorary chairman is Andrew J. Miller, past president of the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club. Assisting him are James H. Frank, past-president of the Pittsfield Anglers' League; Bill Pollack, district wildlife manager; Edward R. Knurow, conservation officer; Mrs. Robert B. Deloye, president of the Berkshire Stream Line Anglers, Wilfred J. Lamoreux, president of the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club, and Raymond C. Tart, president of the Pittsfield Anglers' Club.

Jigging Prize Offered for Fishing Derby

2/10/54

A special prize for the largest number of fish caught by jigging will be a feature of the Park and Recreation Department's annual ice fishing derby to be held Sunday at Pontoosuc and Onota Lake, Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the department, announced today. Andrew J. Miller and James H. Frank will be chairmen of the derby.

Registration for the derby will be at 9 a.m. and checking-in time at 3 p.m. Derby headquarters at Onota will be at the foot of Navy Boulevard where a trailer is being furnished by Dean's Trailer Service of Cheshire. Pontoosuc headquarters will be at the Lakeview Restaurant.

There will be four divisions in the competition—men's, women's, boys' and girls', and prizes will be awarded for the longest fish, most fish, and most fish caught by jigging. Only one prize will be awarded per person.

All contestants must register to be elligible for prizes. There will be a 50-cent entry fee for persons 18 years of age and older, and all others will be allowed to enter free.

The special jigging prize is to encourage the catching of perch on which there no longer is any daily bag limit.

Pittsfield, Massachusetts, Monday, February 15, 1954.

PRIZE WINNING LINE-UP in the Pontoosuc Lake section of the Parks and Recreation Department's annual ice fishing derby held yesterday at Pontoosuc and Onota included, left to right, Miss Ann M. Driscoll, winter carnival queen; Andrew J. Miller, cochairman of the derby; Danny Miers, 11, of Lanesboro, who caught the longest pickerel in the boys' division at Pontoosuc; John Ranotto, 1228 East St., who caught the largest pickerel; Conrad T. Weigand Jr., 71 Lakeview St., with an 18-inch and a three-pound pickerel; Mrs. Tracy Fowler, 6 Lakeview St., who won jigging honors in women's division with 63 perch; and Mr. Fowler, who snagged 59 perch jigging.

Fishing Derby Starts at 9 Tomorrow 2/13/54

The Parks and Recreation Department's annual ice-fishing derby will start at 9 tomorrow morning at both Pontoosuc and Onota Lakes.

Chairman Andrew J. Miller and James H. Frank said registrations will be accepted at both lakes during the day with checking-in time set for 3 p.m.

All contestants mst register either at a trailer at the foot of the Navy Boulevard at Onota or at Lakeview Restaurant at Pontoosuc.

Adults must pay a 50 cent registration fee. Children may register without charge.

Prizes will be awarded in four divisions for the longest fish caught, for the most fish caught and for the most fish caught by jigging.

More Than 200 Compete in Fishing Derby

John C. Penney, GE Worker, Catches Largest Fish

John C. Penney, GE worker, of 52 Parkside Avenue caught the heaviest fish, a two pound, two and one-half ounce pickerel, in the annual ice fishing derby sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department yesterday at Pontoosuc and Onota Lakes. He made his catch at Pontoosuc and selected a fly rod as his prize.

There were 201 entries in the day-long event: 67 adults and 58 children at Pontoosuc; 39 adults and 37 children at Onota. More and better catches were made at Pontoosuc than Onota which may have been due in part to the large number of entries at the former lake.

Prizes were awarded in four divisions—men's, women's, boys' and girls'—at each lake. First prize was for heaviest fish, second for longest, and third for the most caught.

Mrs. William S. (Sophie) Boldyga, of 96 Brown Street, ardent member of the Berkshire Stream Line Anglers, coppep first prize in the women's division with a 12-ounce perch. Mrs. Richard W. (Regina) Turner of 11 Fairway Street, a perennial ice fishing derby winner, was awarded second prize for having a limit catch of 20 perch. They fished at Pontoosuc. There were no women and girls' entries at Onota although several registered for the competition.

Girls, Boys Win Prizes

Top girl angler at Pontoosuc was Sharon Rondeau of Great Barrington with a 1 pound, 13-ounce pickerel. Sandra Boldyga, 12, daughter of Mrs. William S. Bolydga, was second with a 15¾ inch pickerel.

First honors for boys went to Chester Zaorski Jr., 117 Highland Avenue, with a 1 pound, 14-ounce pickerel at Onota and Donald Godfrey, 7 Plymouth Street, with a pound perch at Pontoosuc.

Other winners follow:

Pontoosuc Lake

Men's division, second, Joseph Bloomingdale, 224 Francis Avenue, 19¾-inch pickerel; Al Bator, 78 Brooks Avenue, Robert Eckart, Springfield, William Zimba, Adams, tied for third with 20 fish each.

Boys' division, second, David Storie, 64 Winship Avenue, 12¾-inch perch; third, Gary Zimba, Adams, 14 perch.

Onota Lake

Men's division, first, Julius Zegarowski, 73½ Dewey Avenue, 1 pound, 15-ounce pickerel; second, Stanley Mezzack, 32 Linn Street, 17-inch pickerel; third, Robert Wigglesworth, 34 Crystal Street, two pickerel and two perch.

Boys' division, second, Charles Fezzi, 32 McArthur Street, 15-inch pickerel; third, Leonard Conway, black bass, 1 pound, 14 ounces.

James H. Frank, president of the Pittsfield Anglers' League, directed the derby in the absence of Chairman Andrew J. Miller who is in St. Luke's Hospital. He was assisted by Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of parks and recreation; Conservation Officer Edward R. Knurow; Bill Pollack, district wildlife manager; and representatives of the Pittsfield, Lakewood, and PAL clubs, and the Berkshire Stream Line Anglers.

Headquarters at Pontoosuc were at the Lakeview Restaurant and at Onota at the foot of Navy Boulevard where a trailer was provided by Ray Dean of Dean Trailer Sales, Cheshire.

Plouffe 73½

A PAIR OF WINNERS: Sharon Rondeau of Great Barrington and Julius Zegarowski, Dewey Avenue, display the pickerel that won them prizes in yesterday's annual winter carnival ice fishing derby at Pontoosuc and Onota Lakes. Sharon's fish, caught at Pontoosuc, scaled a pound and 13 ounces, and Mr. Zegarowski's, taken from Onota, weighed a pound and 15 ounces. More than 200 took part in the competition.

ANDY DOES THE HONORS: Since Police Patrolman Andrew J. Miller, perennial chairman of the winter carnival ice fishing derby was hospitalized and unable to attend the event, the top prize winner and others connected with Sunday's derby decided to call on him at St. Luke's last night. Here, he presents a fly rod and fishing basket to John C. Penney of 52 Parkside Avenue for catching the largest fish. Left to right are Mr. Miller, James H. Frank, president of the Pittsfield Anglers' League; Merritt Chapman, vice-president of the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club; Miss Constance Dillon, winter carnival queen; Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of Parks and Recreation; and Mr. Penney.

Golden Agers Plan Two Card Parties Open to the Public

The Golden Age Club will hold two public card parties Friday, Jan. 16, at the YMCA. They will be from 2 to 4 PM and from 8 to 10 PM.

Those attending are asked to bring cards. Prizes will be awarded and there will be a small admission charge.

Yesterday's meeting was attended by 180. John Ross read letters from members who expressed thanks for being visited at the hospital.

Mrs. Herbert H. Farrar was presented a birthday cake. A special musical program was put on by members.

The club now has 450 members. Anyone wishing to join is invited to attend the meeting next Tuesday at 2 PM in the YMCA.

Golden Agers Hear Report on Budget

Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the Park and Recreation Department, reported $2.09 left from the $1000 Golden Age Club budget for 1952 at a meeting of the club yesterday afternoon at the YMCA.

The amount spent went toward supplies, material, rent and travel. The group had five outings last year.

Henry A. Bonnet, recreation supervisor of the Park and Recreation Department, showed movies of last year's winter carnival to the 156 members present.

Mrs. Martha F. Waterman announced that those interested in bringing the history of Pittsfield up to date will meet at her home, 21 Goodrich Street, at 2.30 tomorrow afternoon.

Final plans were made for the public card parties to be held at the Y Friday from 2 to 4 and from 8 to 10 PM. Any card game may be played and prizes will be awarded.

Mrs. Florence King and Charles W. Sparks are new members. Mrs. Estelle Runaldue and Mrs. Dora Burger were given birthday cakes.

Golden Age Club Will Celebrate 4th Anniversary

Plans for the Golden Age Club's fourth anniversary party at the Jewish Community House on East Street next Tuesday at 2 PM were made at Tuesday's club meeting.

City leaders have been invited to the celebration.

Mrs. Margaret Barth was admitted as a new member to the club. A birthday cake was presented to Mrs. Jane Rennie and Mrs. Dora Pape. Guy Brimmer of the Albany Golden Age Club was a guest.

Mrs. Alfred Leno was named chairman of the social committee by the 150 attending the meeting.

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Better late than never. Thomas Dumont, Golden Ager and retired GE man, age going on 89, yesterday saw his first inauguration, though he's been voting for 68 years. Dropped into the office, saw the TV going, and eased into an armchair, loaded his pipe and relaxed. Agreed video is here to stay, and so is the U.S.A. which put on a fine show with the two leaders of opposing parties riding along as friendly as you please.

Golden Agers Name Publicity Chairman

Mrs. Georgine Alcombright has been appointed publicity chairman of the Golden Age Club, John S. Ross, president, announced today.

Mrs. Alcombright succeeds Thomas F. Dumont, 88, who has resigned after serving as publicity chairman since the club began four years ago.

Song and Dance Program Given for Golden Agers

Mrs. Gloria Chiaretto sang and Miss Judith Needham danced for 161 members of the Golden Age Club at their weekly meeting yesterday afternoon at the YMCA. The piano accompaniment was by Mrs. John D. Myers.

The birthday cake, donated each week by the Joanne Bakery, was presented to Miss Henrietta Claffy and Gaetano Barreca.

Mrs. Sumner M. Gamwell, community service committee chairman of the Pittsfield College Club, announced that John Ross, Golden Age Club president, made the first reservation for the Senior Citizens' conference luncheon. Sponsored by the committee on the Aging of the Pittsfield Community Council, the conference will be Wednesday, Feb. 25, at the Berkshire Museum.

Mrs. Gamwell, who is also conference chairman, invited the Golden Age Club members to attend the conference sessions. The luncheon will be held at the South Congregational Church parish house.

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GOLDEN AGE CLUB LEADERS: Presidents of the Golden Age Club, past and present, were on hand yesterday for the fourth anniversary party of the club at the Jewish Community Center gymnasium. Left to right are: Dr. Charles P. Crowley, first president; John S. Ross, incumbent president; Stephen J. Burns, second president; and Jone Cone, who headed the club last year.

Plans Complete For Conference On Senior Citizens

Final plans for the Conference on Senior Citizens at the Berkshire Museum on Wednesday, were made last night. Eleven members of the Committee on Aging of the Pittsfield Community Council attended the meeting in the council office.

Miss Betty L. Harker, psychiatric social worker at Riggs Clinic, will be a member of the morning panel on facilities available for older people in this area.

Members of the Golden Age Club "boys' choir" will sing preceding the afternoon session of the conference. Members of the "choir" are: Michael J. Down, director, Robert Ayers, John Cone, Thomas F. Dumont, Frank A. Halligan, William Hindle, Alfred Leno, Magnus Lovgren, Ralph Peaslee, Joseph Ressler and Frederick Stevens. Mrs. Martha Waterman is piano accompanist.

Ushers for the morning session will be: Mrs. Robert Ayers, Mrs. Grace B. Best, Mrs. Florence I. Collin, Mrs. Herbert H. Farrar, Mrs. Carl U. Sauer and Mrs. Florence A. Sharon. Afternoon session ushers will be: Mrs. Julia G. May, Mrs. Alfred Leno, Mrs. Mae Madden, Mrs. Alma Maloney, Mrs. Jessie Soderstrom and Mrs. Marie Wilkenson. All are members of the Golden Age Club.

Members of the College Club community service group who will assist at the conference are Mrs. Bruce Alexander, Mrs. Norman B. Hollister, Mrs. Alfred B. Krechtler, Mrs. Donald S. McKenzie, Mrs. A. George Hiltpold and Mrs. Ralph P. Mitchell Jr.

4th Anniversary Is Observed by Golden Age Club

Mayor Robert T. Capeless, Harold D. Barnes, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and Donald B. Miller, publisher of The Eagle, were guest speakers at yesterday's celebration of the fourth anniversary of the Golden Age Club. The Jewish Community Center donated the use of its gymnasium for the meeting.

Michael Dodw read from the scrapbook a history of the club and a poem written by the late Walfred T. Victoreen. Members of the Albany and Dalton clubs were guests.

Special thanks was given the Edadon Bakery (formerly the Lorraine Bakery) which has supplied birthday cakes for every club meeting during the last four years.

Thomas F. DuMont, who has been publicity chairman since the club's inception, resigned his post. He thanked the College Club, the Department of Parks and Recreation and the mayor and City Council for their support of the club.

Bernard Boland and Mrs. Mary K. Madden were presented birthday cakes. Entertainment was furnished by the "Hungry Five," students at Pittsfield High School.

Members of the College Club served refreshments.

Golden Agers To Hear Mr. Kibby

Rev. David Kibby will speak on arts and crafts at a meeting of the Golden Age Club at 2 tomorrow afternoon at the YMCA.

A two-act comedy, "The Children's Hour," will be presented under the direction of Mrs. Sarah Eddy. Those attending are to bring a valentine.

Golden Age Club To Hold Card Parties

The Golden Age Club will hold two public card parties tomorrow from 2 to 4 and 8 to 10 PM at the YMCA. Refreshments will be served in the afternoon. Door and table prizes will be awarded. Players are asked to bring cards.

2-11-53

Music School Group Entertains Golden Age Club

One hundred seventy members of the Golden Age Club were entertained yesterday afternoon at their meeting by six students from the Pittsfield Community Music School. Participants were: Mary Ann and Joyce Zaorski, Nancy and Betty Owens, and Wayne and Carole Powell.

The club voted upon recommendation from the steering committee to hold two public card parties Friday, Feb. 20. Mrs. Alfred Leno, chairman, will be assisted by Mrs. Jessie Soderstrom, Mrs. Alma Maloney and Mrs. Mae Madden.

A two-act comedy, "The Children's Hour," written by Mrs. Sarah Eddy, will be presented at next Tuesday's meeting. Rev. David R. Kibby will speak on arts and crafts to complete the program.

'Boy' Singers Needed

Michael Dowd announced that additional men would be needed to augment the "boys' choir." They have been requested to sing at the Senior Citizens' conference Wednesday, Feb. 25, at the Berkshire Museum.

The birthday cake was given to Mrs. Francis Norton and Carl L. Johnson. John Manion joined the club.

Letter Presented

Clarence Welch presented two yellow-on-black hooked nylon letters, G. and A, to the club. Mr. Welch said that the letters, which he made, were designed by Joseph Rivard and Joseph F. Engelke and that the Golden Age sewing club had made the backing for the letters.

Publicity Planned

Mrs. Charles R. Jordan of the Park Department announced that The Eagle has made an "unprecedented concession" to the Golden Age Club and would allow them a maximum 300-word article each week with a by-line. The articles will be written by the Golden Age publicity chairman as soon as one is appointed by John S. Ross, president.

A letter from Otto Weinmann, the German exchange student who visited the club in November, 1951, was read. Mr. Weinmann has returned to Germany and has started a Golden Age Club in Esslingen. He requested assistance from Pittsfield club members. Names of the German club members are available at the Park Department for correspondence.

2-18-53

Golden Age News

220 See Comedy Written by Mrs. Sarah Eddy

By Mrs. Georgine Alcombright

A two-act comedy, "The Children's Hour," written by Mrs. Sarah Eddy, was presented yesterday to 220 Golden Agers.

Stephen J. Burns and John Cone, both past presidents of the club, played the parts of Arthur Bartram's adopted children. William Hindle was "housekeeper," Mrs. Eddy, the "girl friend who returned;" and Mrs. Martha Waterman, the music teacher.

Rev. David R. Kibby spoke on metal crafts and exhibited articles made in his shop.

Among the 10 visitors present were Miss Armgard Schubert of Darmstadt, Germany, and Piet Kruithof of Mastricht, Holland. Both are observing social work methods in the United States.

Whist Parties Planned

Two whist parties are planned for Friday at the YMCA from 2 to 4 and 8 to 10. Proceeds will go to the club fund. Door and table prizes will be awarded at both parties and refreshments will be served in the afternoon.

Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the Department of Parks and Recreation, reported that his department feels that the passing of the "black box" as a means of collecting funds is "not in keeping with the constitution of the club." Therefore, the practice will be discontinued and the box will remain at the rear of the meeting room. Mr. Hebert stated that checks drawn on the "black box" must be countersigned by him.

Members of the club honored Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Ruscetta on their 50th wedding anniversary and presented them a cake.

Mrs. Arthur W. Pierce announced the sewing club will meet next Wednesday in the Berkshire Museum workshop as a group demonstrating Golden Age activities for the Conference on the Aging.

Mrs. Lillian Morrissey and Mrs. Sadie Narder received a birthday cake. The club welcomed Mrs. Grace Polhill as a new member.

Mrs. Casie Jones and Richard Engleman are on the sick list.

Golden Age News

Folk Dances Presented by The Merchants

3-4-53

GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Merchant of Nassau, N.Y., demonstrated Lithuanian, German, Danish, Schottische and American folk dances for 198 Golden Agers yesterday. A series of folk dance classes are being conducted by the Merchants at the Pittsfield Community Music School.

Other entertainment at yesterday's meeting included a piano duet by Mrs. Martha Waterman and 89-year-old Arthur Bartram and selections by the "boys' choir." Charles Daniels sang and Mrs. Richard DeFoort, Mrs. Jane Rennie, Mrs. Katherine Girard and Thomas Dumont spoke to the club members.

Michael Dowd read letters from the Pittsfield Community Council and Mrs. Sumner Gamwell thanking the Golden Age Club members who participated in the "boys' choir," served as ushers, and demonstrated the activities of the sewing club for the Conference on the Aging.

Mr. Dowd Resigns Post

Mr. Dowd announced that he had resigned from his position as program chairman because he was not able to devote the necessary amount of time.

Mrs. Gamwell reminded Golden Agers of the mental telepathy program, sponsored by the College Club. Golden Agers are invited to attend the free comedy program tonight.

Vice-president Robert Ayers awarded the birthday cake to Mrs. Emma Brooke. The club welcomed George A. McFarland, who visited the club. The presence of Warren Clark who made the first club banner was welcomed. He had not attended for three years due to sickness. Frederick H. Cooley and Mrs. Delia Noon were welcomed after long absences.

Sick members are Frederick Stevens, who is at Pittsfield General Hospital and Mrs. Lina Mansfield, Mrs. Nancy Haight, Mrs. Minnie Richmand, Mrs. Delia Shepherd, and Mrs. Mae King, who are all at home.

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Young Accordionists Entertain 210 at Golden Age Meeting

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Five students from Larry Menin's accordion school entertained 210 Golden Agers at yesterday's meeting. The entertainers were Alexander Bertelli, grandson of Golden Ager Antonio Coli; Robert Guerrina, Peter Trova, Lee Guarda and Donald Siok. Mr. Coli, who had arranged for the program, presented each boy with a gift.

Mrs. Wayne Birchard, Pittsfield College Club president, invited all members of the Golden Age Club to a free comedy entertainment, "Sh-h, Don't Think Too Loudly," to be presented by the College Club on March 4 at 8.15 at the Berkshire Museum.

Michael J. Dowd, program chairman, reported for Mrs. Alfred Leno, social chairman for the card parties held Feb. 20. Proceeds amounted to $25. The money was turned over to the treasurer, Howard R. Karner. Edward Young was thanked for providing table prizes for the card party and Mrs. Katherine L. Girard for the nine prizes she donated.

Card Committee Resigns

John S. Ross, president, announced that he had received the resignations of Mrs. Leno and her committee: Mrs. Mae Madden, Mrs. Jessie Soderstrom and Mrs. Alma Maloney, effective Feb. 24. The special committee had been appointed by the president to plan the card parties.

Mr. Ross also accepted the resignation of Mr. Dowd as program chairman. He had been appointed in September. Mr. Ross will appoint a new program chairman at the March 3 meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Gustav G. Pilblad will entertain the Golden Age Club at the next meeting.

The president of the Golden Age Club in Dalton, George E. Bradford, spoke to the Pittsfield club. Four other visitors from Lenox and Pittsfield were welcomed.

The "boys' choir" gave a preview of its program for today's conference on the aging.

The birthday cake was presented by Robert Ayers, vice-president, to Mrs. Delia J. McMullen.

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GE Pension Plan Debated At Conference for Aged

2-26-53

IUE Agent Callahan Urges Program Not Requiring Employe To Contribute—Cusato Praises Company for Leadership

The General Electric Company's retirement plan was dealt an earthy blow by John Callahan, CIO business agent, at the final economic session of an all-day conference for senior citizens held at the Berkshire Museum yesterday afternoon.

It was just as staunchly defended by Louis S. Cusato, who took management's point of view on the four-man panel.

"The General E[illegible]ctric Company led the field in 1[illegible]," Callahan declared, "but toda[illegible]hey're like the cow's tail—way b[illegible]ind."

Callahan's Proposal

The union, Callahan said, would like to have a different type of pension plan, where an employe does not contribute. He cited the recent dispute regarding a Massachusetts FEPC law, in which a woman was almost forced to retire at age 60. He said the law now reads that women can be employed to age 65, just as men are.

"GE," the union leader said, "immediately filed a bill to try to see if they could get women to go out at 60." A lot of women have been kept on because of that bill, Callahan said.

"I don't think the pension plan at General Electric is the worst in the country, but I don't think it's the best either," Callahan said.

On the other side of the picture, Mr. Cusato, praised the General Electric Company for being a leader in the field of pensions, saying that in 1912 the plan called for retirement of men at 70 and women at 60, and has since been modified.

In regard to the Massachusetts discrimination law, Cusato said that 80 unions agreed on age 65 as the retirement age, and that the Massachusetts law did not state clearly at just what age women should retire, and that it has since been clarified.

Difficult Problem

The problem of making the retirement age selective is a very difficult one for industry, Mr. Cusato said. "We would have to employ an umpire—probably a doctor to tell us whether or not a person could work over age 65."

He said he had been "unsuccessful" in getting pensioners to take part time jobs because they want to work only certain hours and at certain specific jobs, which necessarily limits the field.

"In Pittsfield," the management head said, "we have more than one thousand pensioners, plus 100 more each year and only about 30 or 35 of them want to retire." He said that if a man worked from the time he was 20 to 65, he would only have worked 13 per cent of his waking hours.

In answer to the statement that 80 unions agreed on the retirement age, Callahan said "I don't know if the GE has 80 unions, but I know one, and we did not agree, the company arbitrarily threw the proposition to us, and we had the choice of either negotiating or striking, which we could not do."

Ability Is Test

"Maybe someday," Callahan continued, "we might engage in one to straighten out the General Electric." He added that "It all depends on who you are—if you're a worker in the shop, you're out at 65, but they have men in key positions who are over 70. We must measure a person's capabilities on his ability—not on his chronological age."

Calling on all individuals to share the responsibility of paying for old age pensions either in the form of taxation or industrial pension plans, Mayor Capeless said, "The cost of Old Age assistance has necessarily grown, and we have an obligation to care for them. If we have failed in any way it's because we've done too little rather than too much."

"The whole problem of welfare has become one of old age assistance," the mayor said. He cited the rising cost of educating the young and the additional problem of caring for the old, with the heavy burden thrown on the smaller group of producers in between.

"We must recognize the fact that we are not going to get back during our productive years what we have put in," the mayor said. "We have to recognize taxation for old age assistance for what it is. The hope of the nation is the increased productivity of those producing."

Ames Speaks

George F. Ames, local manager of the Federal Security Administration, called on all citizens to recognize their responsibility toward aged persons.

He praised the attitude of the federal government towards aging problems. He said that we have thought of aging problems in this country in the past quarter century in terms of financial implication only.

"We actually began an intelligent approach," he said, "when we came to realize that man does not live by bread alone." He said that providing the old folks with a proper income has restored self-condence, self-prestige and self-respect.

Theodore Herberg, curriculum director of Pittsfield schools was moderator for the panel which was attended by more than 200 persons.

Mr. Herberg called on Attorney Lincoln S. Cain, a member of the Community Council housing committee in Pittsfield, to give a summary of housing problems in Pittsfield at the conclusion of the panel discussion.

Stating that public housing as an issue in Pittsfield "is dead," Mr. Cain nevertheless reasserted the fact that there is a shortage of housing in the city.

3000 'Substandard' Houses

"We are getting along with about 3000 units which could fairly be described as substandard," Mr. Cain said.

The Community Council housing committee has established a set of rules to be enforced by both the health department and police, which set up "reasonable housing standards, and will have real teeth in them." The rules will be published later, Mr. Cain said.

Mrs. Sumner M. Gamwell, chairman of the committee on aging of the Pittsfield Community Council, which sponsored the all-day program, urged the audience to fill out questionnaires which were handed to the audience, and said that the committee will act further when the results of the questionnaires have been compiled.

Golden Age News

St. Patrick's Day To Be Theme of Next Meeting

3-11-53

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Miss Rita Pizzi entertain 189 Golden Agers at their meeting yesterday. Miss Pizzi, in St. Patrick's Day costume, sang and tap danced for the club members. Mrs. Frederick Meyers accompanied on the piano.

The boys' choir, consisting of 13 men, was supplmented for the first time by eight women members. John S. Ross, president, read a poem "Save To Stay Alive" sent in by Mrs. Eva Jones. Thomas Dumont spoke on forgiving and also sang. Mrs. Sarah Eddy and Arthur Bartram presented a guitar and flute duet. Clifford Peasely, an honorary member of the Golden Age Club, played the piano for the opening exercises. Mrs. Martha Waterman played with the orchestra during intermission and for dancing after the meeting. William Hindle announced that the Golden Age News had been completed and the News was distributed by members of the College Club at the end of the meeting.

Mr. Ross announced that the March 17 program would be in honor of St. Patrick's Day and requested that all attending wear some green. George Milne will present dancing and singing acts and Mrs. Sarah Eddy will present a St. Patrick's Day skit.

Three New Members

Mrs. Richard Bould, Mrs. Margaret Leslie and Mrs. Helen McBurney were welcomed as new members. The birthday cake was awarded to Mrs. Elizabeth Connors and Mrs. George Nagelschmidt.

Michael Dowd, Golden Age representative to the steering committee, read the recommendations from the committee, including the following appointments made by Mr. Ross and approved by the committee: Mrs. Eddy, Joseph Ressler, Mrs. Anna Farrar and Mrs. Charles Jordan (ex-officio), program committee; Mrs. Alma Maloney, Mrs. Mae Madden and Mrs. Jessie Soderstrom, sick committee; Mr. Ross, Robert Ayers and Howard Karner, bus committee; Mrs. Marie Wilkinson and Mrs. Julia May, reception committee; Mrs. Georgine Alcombright, publicity chairman; Mrs. William Beals, assistant treasurer; and Mrs. Carl U. Sauer, Mrs. Nagelschmidt, Mrs. Marion Jones and Mrs. Etta Smith.

Golden Age News

227 Attend Party for St. Patrick

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

St. Patrick's Day was celebrated by 227 Golden Agers, most of whom were wearing green costumes at their meeting yesterday.

A "Can You Top This" contest was run by Mrs. Sarah Eddy and won by Mrs. Gertrude Whalen. Thomas Dumont, in an authentic Irish costume, including clay pipe, thorn cane and live shamrocks, played a real violin and also his toy violin, accompanied by Arthur Bartram on the piano.

Herbert Smith, also dressed like an Irishman, sang an appropriate song assisted by Mrs. Herbert H. Farrar and played the piano. Joseph Ressler made his debut as "Sweet Peggy O'Neil" dramatizing the words of the song while singing with Mrs. Sarah Eddy.

The remainder of the St. Patrick's Day program was presented by George Milne. The following people entertained, all dressed in appropriate St. Patrick's Day costumes: The Misses Josephine Scalise, Maria Zack, Judy Herbert, Patricia Przwosnik, Carol Overbaugh, and Master Jackie Cassidy, and James Ball.

George Milne was master of ceremonies and also sang for the Golden Agers. Mrs. John D. Myers accompanied all the children on the piano. The program consisted of dancing, singing and baton twirling. Two of the children were grandchildren of Golden Age Club members.

Mrs. R. Clara Reiff and Mrs. George H. Searles were welcomed as new members. The birthday cake was awarded to Mrs. Hilda Duvall, whose birthday was the nearest preceding date.

Mrs. Leona Dunlap and Mrs. Letitia Davis were the only members on the sick list.

John S. Ross announced a correction in last week's news, Mrs. Eva Jones wrote a poem dedicated to Golden Agers which was read at the meeting and did not write "Save To Stay Alive" as stated in The Eagle Wednesday.

Movies on the presidential inauguration will be shown next week at the regular Tuesday meeting at 2.00 at the YMCA.

WHO'S ENGLISH? It took a local gentleman without a drop of Irish blood to put on the best recorded St. Patrick's Day display today. He's 84-year-old Herbert A. Smith, of 241 South Street, and he's exclusively of English descent.

G.E. News

▼ Since retiring from Pittsfield's Power Transformer Engineering in 1932 after 28 years of service, Arthur W. Pierce has spent most of his time teaching scout skills to boys. Now 83 years old, he recently took the job of scoutmaster for a troup of boys from the Berkshire School for Crippled Children. He was presented the Silver Beaver award — the highest award given for outstanding contribution to boyhood. He is President of the Pittsfield Pensioners Club, a post he has held for the past 13 years.

Golden Age News

Club Members Hear Musicale, Plan Card Party

4-8-53

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Four students from the Community Music School entertained 172 Golden Agers at their weekly meeting yesterday at the YMCA. They were Jayn Rosenfeld, Sarah Milne, Ann Russ and Pauline Lisi.

Golden Age Club member William Liebau performed a hobo tap dance, in costume.

John S. Ross, president, read an invitation from the Albany Golden Age Club to a get-together June 15 to celebrate the Albany club's fourth anniversary. A letter was read from Charles W. Dewey, president of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce, thanking the club members for the opportunity to speak to them March 31, and praising the club.

Field Day Proposed

Among the seven recommendations of the steering committee, read by its representative, Michael Dowd, was that a committee be appointed to plan a gala field day this summer, as suggested by member Joseph H. Ressler. The plan includes inviting 8 or 10 Golden Age Clubs from other cities. A second suggestion was that the Pittsfield club help the newly-formed Golden Age Club of Esslingen, Germany, by sending informative letters and spreading good will.

Eleven members responded to a request for 10 to 15 women to assist at the Pittsfield General Hospital bargain shop next month. Interested persons are to volunteer to Mrs. Charles R. Jordan.

Herbert Smith thanked his cast for their co-operation in the presentation of "The Great Horse Race" last week.

Paper Out Tuesday

William Hindle, editor of the Golden Age News, announced that the April issue will be distributed at Tuesday's meeting.

The regular orchestra was augmented by the harmonicas of Mrs. Katherine Gerard and Clarence Shepherd. Square dancing followed the meeting.

A golden wedding cake was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Farrar in honor of their 50th anniversary April 4. Mrs. Farrar thanked the club members who attended their open house and sent cards. Mrs. Ada Shaw received the birthday cake.

A card party is planned for Friday afternoon, April 17, from 2 to 4 at the YMCA. Table and door prizes will be awarded. Players are requested to bring their own cards.

Golden Age News

Club Members Invited to Meeting On Envoy Plan

3/25/53

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Movies of the 1953 presidential inauguration were shown to 142 Golden Agers yesterday afternoon at the YMCA by Mrs. Charles R. Jordan, recreation supervisor for the Pittsfield Parks and Recreation Department. The "Boys and Girls" Choir of the Golden Age Club entertained for the remainder of the program. The number of choir members increases at each meeting.

A play, written and directed by Herbert Smith, will be presented Tuesday. The cast consists of Herbert Smith, Michael Dowd, Mrs. Herbert Farrar, Frank A. Halligan, Alfred Leno and Joseph Ressler.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stirrat, secretary, asked members who attend club meetings regularly to take or send copies of the Golden Age News to persons who are on the membership list but who are unable to attend the meetings.

Sick List

It was reported that Mrs. Lena Denison is at Pittsfield General Hospital and Mrs. James Poulton and Mrs. Luella Lunt are sick at home.

Mrs. Caroline M. Devinez, whose birthday was yesterday, received the birthday cake.

A letter was read from the Department of Parks and Recreation stating that the community ambassador program being initiated in Pittsfield is endorsed by the department. It said that the Young Adult Group had expressed an interest in sending someone to represent Pittsfield in a foreign country. The Golden Age Club was also mentioned as having international interests as Otto Weinmann, a German exchange student, visited the Golden Age Club and returned to organize a similar club in Esslingen, Germany. The German club has written for assistance from the Pittsfield club. Pittsfield club members were invited to attend a community ambassador meeting Monday at 8 PM in Room 212 at the High School. Henry Borgese of the Putney (Vt.) Experiment in International Living will explain the program.

An article by Mrs. Edith Weatherby told of the organization by the Salvation Army of a Golden Age group in Troy, N.Y., where a room has been provided for recreational use by persons over 65.

Golden Age News

212 Members See Own Production, Hear About C. of C.

4-1-53

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

"The Great Horse Race," a play written and directed by Golden Age Club member Herbert Smith, was presented to 212 Golden Agers yesterday afternoon at their weekly meeting at the YMCA. Toy money, realistic race track costumed characters and wooden rocking horses ridden by two jockeys, contributed to the comedy.

The cast of club members consisted of Herbert Smith, jockey; Mrs. Herbert H. Farrar, sportswoman and jockey; Joseph Ressler, trainer; Frank A. Halligan, bookmaker; Alfred Leno, chief of police; and betters from the audience.

A brief history of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce, its functions and objectives, by its president, Charles W. Dewey, preceded the play. He included high lights of the city's history. John S. Ross, club president, said he was reminded of the days when his wife sent him to the store with 25 cents for a pound of steak and a pound of butter and he was expected to bring back the change. The remaining five cents purchased a quart of milk. Mr. Dewey praised the club for its fine and unique organization.

An invitation was read from Mr. and Mrs. Farrar to all club members to attend an open house at their home, 28 Ridgeway Avenue, Saturday in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Thomas Dumont gave an Easter message. Joseph Engelke was thanked for the poster he painted wishing members a happy Easter.

New members welcomed were Mr. and Mrs. George Gottsche and Ira Peterson. Mr. Peterson joined the violin section of the orchestra.

An Easter-decorated birthday cake was presented to Mrs. Lillian Gooley. Three visitors from Nova Scotia, Dalton and West Pittsfield were welcomed.

The meeting concluded with songs by a record number of 20 men and women in the "Boys' choir."

Students from the Community Music School will present a program at the next meeting Tuesday. The Golden Age News will be distributed after the meeting.

H. H. Farrars, Wed 50 Years, To Be Honored

4-2-53

Family To Honor Couple at Dinner Open House Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert H. Farrar of 28 Ridgeway Avenue will observe their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday. A family dinner at the home of their daughter, Mrs. George H. Spaulding of the same address, will be followed by open house in the evening. Guests will include members of the Golden Age Club, of which Mrs. Farrar is an active member.

The couple were married in the First Methodist Church by Rev. Charles L. Leonard two years after they came to Pittsfield from Batley, Yorkshire, England, where they were born. Mrs. Farrar, the former Annie Hirst, accompanied Mr. Farrar's family to the United States. She was 73 last Jan. 5, and her husband was 75 Jan. 9.

Mr. Farrar, who is retired, was a pioneer in the gasoline business. He was for many years associated with his brother, the late William S. Farrar. The couple are members of the church at which they were married. Both are in good health. Mr. Farrar enjoys reading and ball games.

They have four children: Mrs. Spaulding, with whom they make their home; Mrs. Franklin Chittenden; and George H. Farrar, all of Pittsfield; and Mrs. G. Reynolds S. Root of Richmond. There also are five grandchildren.

EGAD! Lady in audience stares almost in disbelief at energetic capers being cut by members of Pittsfield's Golden Age Club in a play at their meeting at the YMCA. A farce called "The Great Horse Race," the play was not only written and directed, but also acted in by versatile Herbert A. Smith, 84, who portrayed a jockey with considerable zest.

Golden Age News

Golden Age Club Names Committee To Plan Field Day

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

A committee to investigate the possibility of a field day was announced by John S. Ross at a meeting of the Golden Age Club yesterday afternoon at the YMCA.

Committee members are Joseph Ressler, Antonio Coli, Stephen J. Burns, Mrs. Alma Maloney, Mrs. Bertha Ford, Mrs. Flora Plankey, Mrs. Gertrude Reagan, Frank A. Halligan and Mrs. Katherine Holleran. Mrs. Chester G. Gray, a nurse who accompanies members on bus trips but is not a club member, also was asked to serve.

Rabbi Speaks

Rabbi Jacob Freedman of Congregation Knesses Israel spoke at the meeting, at which Beverly Gans, granddaughter of a member, Mrs. Frannie Gans, danced a waltz clog. Members also were entertained by an old-time concert, with John Cone and Thomas F. Dumont on their fiddles, accompanied by Arthur Bartram on the piano. Mrs. Sarah P. Eddy was master of ceremonies.

Members who attended the presentation of the "Oh Boy" minstrel at the Boys' Club were thanked by Arthur W. Pierce.

Mrs. Martha Waterman reported that Mrs. John D. Myers, who has played at a number of Golden Age programs, was in an automobile accident. Members were asked to send cards. Albert T. Wurgler, a club member, is at Pittsfield General Hospital.

Card Party Tomorrow

The card party will be held tomorrow from 2 to 4 at the YMCA, instead of Friday, as originally planned, Mr. Ross announced. The date was changed to avoid conflict with the GE Pensioners' afternoon dance at the Stanley Club barn and the Golden Age sewing club at the Berkshire Museum, both of which are scheduled for Friday afternoon. Six door prizes, as well as table prizes will be awarded at the card party. Arrangements were made by Robert Ayers, Mrs. Carl U. Sauer, Mrs. Etta A. Smith, Mrs. Marion Jones and Mrs. Set Nagelschmidt. The public is invited.

The birthday cake went to Mrs. Elizabeth DeGroat and Mrs. Lena Yoss. The only visitor was Mrs. Ruby Beers of Lenox.

The Golden Age News, edited by William Hindle, was distributed. Additional copies will be available Tuesday. Members are asked to take copies to those who are unable to attend.

Next week's program will include dance routines by children.

Golden Age News

Dance Students Of Miss Sclater Entertain Club

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Dance students of Miss Hazel Sclater entertained 186 Golden Agers at their meeting yesterday afternoon at the YMCA. Miss Sclater was the piano accompanist. Among the dancers were Miss Maureen Lowry, great-granddaughter of Golden Age Club member Mrs. Francis Norton, and Beatrice Steady, granddaughter of Mrs. Charles Steady. Others on the program were: Sheila Demers, Ann MacHaffie, Claudette Helfer, Lois Driscoll, Betty Ann DiMassimo, Merribeth Rosenberg, Starlene Whitney and Terryl Trudeau.

The birthday cake was given to Mrs. Mae Sturgis. The members were invited to the 62d wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gladu, to be celebrated at an open house May 2 at the Turnverein.

Joseph Ressler invited all members to attend the Dalton Club meeting today, to hear the five accordion players, students of Larry Menin, who recently entertained the Pittsfield club.

As all the April issues of the Golden Age News were taken, William Hindle, editor, announced that more issues would be made up and would be available Tuesday, so that copies may be taken to sick members. Mrs. Flora Plankey, Mrs. Joanna Morrissey and Mrs. Arthur Merriam are at Hillcrest Hospital. Anthony Coli is at Pittsfield General Hospital and Mrs. Letitia Davis is at Springside Nursing Home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Poulton, both 85 years old, were welcomed back after a long absence.

Singing by the Boys' and Girls' Choir concluded the meeting.

Golden Age News

Club Has Musicale; Plans Field Day; Enlarges Orchestra

By Georgine Alcombright

Miss Elizabeth Richards of Dalton presented a program of songs and recitations to 190 Golden Age Club members at their weekly meeting yesterday afternoon at the YMCA. Introduced by Joseph Ressler, and accompanied by Mrs. Harry Barstow, Miss Richards sang songs with an Indian theme in authentic Indian costume. Mrs. Herbert Farrar played the part of "The Little Old Lady" for the song with that title.

A larger "Boys and Girls" choir of 23 members concluded the program.

The club orchestra has been increased to include Mrs. Martha Waterman, Mrs. Sarah Eddy, Arthur Bartram, Herman Vogel, Ira Peterson and Thomas Dumont.

Robert Ayers, vice-president, read an invitation from the Springfield Golden Age Club to the first annual state-wide field day scheduled for all day June 10 at Forest Park. Thirty-two clubs have been invited to participate. Officers and advisers of each club will meet during the day to discuss the organization of more clubs in the state.

Orrin Clark won the birthday cake. Mrs. Lena Denison and Mrs. Annie White were welcomed back after illnesses and Mrs. Mary Harrison of Manchester, Conn., was welcomed as a visitor.

A committee appointed to plan a field day for Pittsfield voted to tour the city tomorrow afternoon to select a location for the event. They will meet at 1.15 at the YMCA, and will be transported in the station wagon of the Parks and Recreation Department.

M. Richard Bolender will speak at the club meeting next Tuesday. Mrs. Eddy will direct the remainder of the program.

Golden Age News

Bolender Tells Of Plans for TV Station

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

M. Richard Bolender of Station WBRK spoke on the history of radio to 169 members present at yesterday's Golden Age meeting. He said it is hoped that Station WMGT-TV, the WBRK television station, to be located in North Adams, will begin operation by Labor Day. Golden Agers were shown the types of records used in radio broadcasting.

The Golden Agers have been invited to the Adams Male Glee Club concert, sponsored by the HOA Circle of Trinity Methodist Church at 8 Friday evening, at the Berkshire Museum. There will be no admittance charge.

Mrs. Sarah P. Eddy, who planned and directed the program, presented "Food for Thought," in which many members participated; "Do You Need a Friend?" with Mrs. Herbert Farrar and Mrs. Gertrude Whalen as contestants, and a musical quiz "What's the Name of That Song?" Robert Ayers hummed the tunes accompanied by Mrs. Eddy on the piano, while the members guessed the old-time tunes' titles.

Invited to Albany

Robert Richy, president of the Albany Club, invited the Pittsfield members to participate in the Albany Golden Age Club's fourth anniversary, June 15, at Trinity Institute in Albany. Other visitors were Mrs. Zdinka Lus of Dallas, Texas, and George E. Bradford, president of the Dalton Golden Age Club.

Mrs. Marie Countryman was welcomed as a new member. The birthday cake was awarded to Mrs. Nettie Steele and Joshua Sharrock. A cake also was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gladu who celebrated their 62d wedding anniversary Saturday. Their daughter, Mrs. Maurice Burbank thanked the club orchestra and members for providing entertainment at Saturday's celebration.

Mrs. Cassie Jones was welcomed back after an absence since December due to illness. Herbert Fulker also was welcomed after an eight-month visit in California with his daughter.

The Golden Age News will be distributed at the next meeting. Extra copies will be available for those present to take sick members.

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Golden Age News

Members Plan Field Day at GEAA Aug. 13

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

A field day, with guests from 10 clubs in neighboring cities, was planned for Aug. 13 by 181 members of the Golden Age Club at their weekly meeting yesterday afternoon at the YMCA. They estimate an attendance of 1000 at the GEAA field event.

The club voted to go in seven buses to Forest Park for the field day of the Springfield club June 10. The trip will be free, for members only.

The club will hold a card party May 21 at the YMCA from 2 to 4 PM. George Milne has offered a cake as a prize and a carving set has been donated as a grand prize.

At the suggestion of John S. Ross a scroll, signed by the members, will be sent to Arthur Godfrey. The scroll will be made by the Eagle Printing & Binding Company. Joseph F. Engelke will do the lettering. Members are requested to sign their names and ages at the next meeting.

Twelve recommendations were presented by Michael Dowd for the steering committee and $15.10 was donated by the Blue Box. Louis Daoust was named sergeant at arms.

New members are: Miss Isabella Bleigh, Mrs. Nan Matza, Mrs. Albina Fulker and William Phillips. The birthday cake was received by William Hindle.

Entertainment included two vocal selections by Miss Joan Moran, accompanied by Robert Dallmeyer, who also played two piano solos. The pianist is a grandson of two members, Mrs. Harriet Dallmeyer and Mrs. Johanna Morressey.

The meeting closed with the reading of a Mother's Day poem by Thomas F. Dumont. The May issue of the Golden Age News and a revised membership list were distributed after the meeting.

Golden Age News

Officers Installed; Bus Trip, Supper Planned Sept. 24

9/9/53

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Newly elected officers were installed by John S. Ross, past president, at a Golden Age meeting attended by 185 yesterday afternoon at the YMCA. The installation followed reports by Mrs. Elizabeth Stirrat, secretary; Howard Karner, treasurer; and Michael Dowd, steering committee representative.

New officers marched into the hall, led by Arthur Bartram, who played his flute. Mr. Ross was presented a purse from members in appreciation of his year's service. The presentation was made by John Cone. Mr. Ross and Robert Ayers made speeches.

Members voted to have a foliage trip Thursday, Sept. 24, followed by a free supper at 5 PM at the Masonic Temple. The Order of Eastern Star will cater for the turkey supper. Funds for the supper will be taken from the "black box," which consists of money voluntarily contributed by members. Supper reservations will be necessary.

The Goodwill Industries were described by Mrs. Charles K. Parker of Pittsfield, and Chanucy Beeman, executive director of the Springfield Goodwill Industries. Arlington Crossman showed movies, and Mrs. Florence Charon, daughter of Mrs. Marie Moffat, a club member, sang and played harmonic selections. The birthday cake was awarded to Mrs. Stirrat by Mrs. Geneva Smith, club vice-president.

All members are invited to join the Golden Age Sewing Club, which will resume meetings at 1.30 Friday afternoon at the Berkshire Museum. This special interest group is sponsored by the Museum and the Park Department. No dues or membership fees are charged.

On the sick list are Mrs. Rose Dwyer and Mrs. Delis Shipton, St. Luke's; and Emmett Ainley, Pittsfield General.

Clothing Remnants Needed By Golden Age Sewing Club

9/17/53

The Park Department today appealed for donations of remnants of unused materials for use by the Golden Age sewing club.

The club, open to all Golden Agers, meets each Friday afternoon at 2 to sew and knit articles, which, in the past, have been distributed to the New England Home for Little Wanderers and to the City Infirmary. A few materials are purchased from an appropriation of funds from the club, but the sewers rely for the most part on donated materials. The smallest scraps are used in quilts.

Persons with materials to donate or civic organizations who wish to have charity sewing done by these women, provided the organization furnish materials, are to call the Park Department or Mrs. William Beals, sewing club president.

The club resumed weekly meetings last week, with 17 attending. Plans this year include special instruction in sewing, crafts and handiwork, as requested by members. Instructors will be sought from volunteers in the community.

A. L. Bartram Will Observe 90th Birthday

9/8/53

Golden Ager To Be Honored At Family Party

Arthur L. Bartram, who lives with his granddaughter, Mrs. Charles F. Lasher of Berkshire Village, will observe his 90th birthday tomorrow. He will be honored at a family party in the evening at the home of another granddaughter, Mrs. Ellis H. Wright of 90 Tanner Avenue.

The still active nonagenarian never misses a meeting of the Golden Agers, of which he is a charter member. He belongs to the club orchestra, and does repair work, such as sharpening lawn mower blades, knives and scissors for members.

A native of Bethel, Conn., Mr. Bartram moved to Pittsfield when he was a young man, and later lived in Lee, where, for many years, he operated a bicycle repair shop. With the advent of the motor car, he closed his shop and took a position as a fine precision machinist at GE. He retired in 1928.

Mr. Bartram has a son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Warren L. Cooke of 60 Draper Avenue, who were married 41 years ago today. They will be honored by their two daughters at dinner this evening. Mr. Cooke, who was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., and his wife were married in the Lee Methodist Church. He is an estimator at GE. The couple have six grandchildren, great grandchildren of Mr. Bartram.

Golden Agers To Meet At South Church

9/18/53

The Golden Age Club meeting Tuesday afternoon at 2 will be held in Barrett Hall, South Congregational Church, instead of at the YMCA auditorium which is being decorated.

Golden Agers To Meet At Unitarian Church

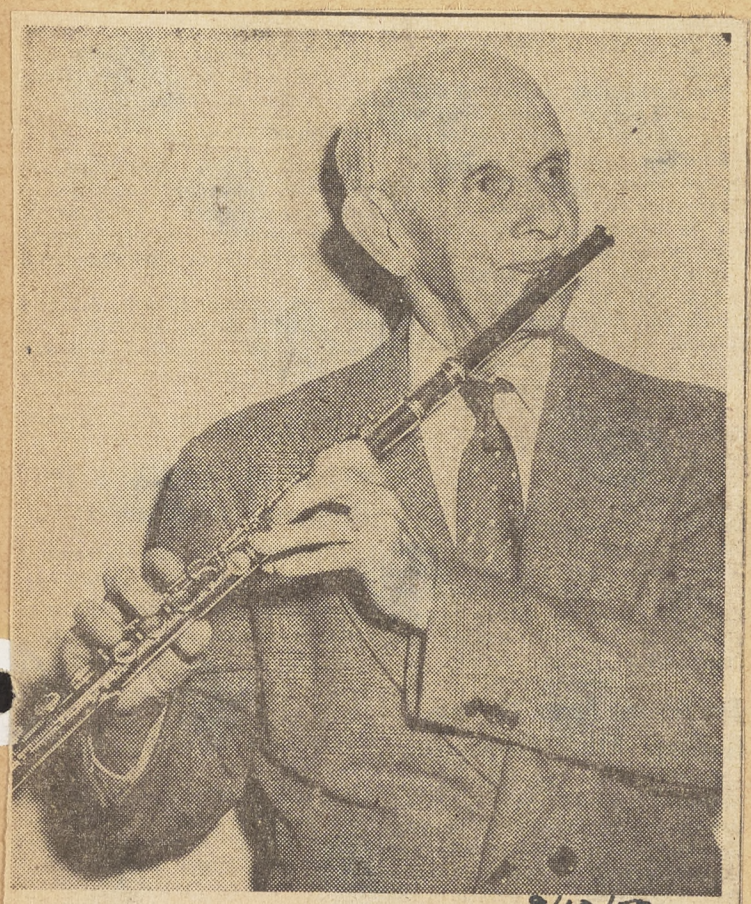
9/28/53

The Golden Age Club will meet at 2 tomorrow afternoon at the Unitarian Church. The meeting place has been temporarily changed because the YMCA is being redecorated.

Golden Agers To Plan Bus Trip

10/2/53

Plans for a bus trip Wednesday will be announced at a meeting of the Golden Age Club Tuesday afternoon at 2 in the Unitarian Church. The program committee will meet at 1:15. The meeting is to be held at the Unitarian Church again this week because the YMCA is being redecorated.



FLUTIST AT 90: Arthur L. Bartram of Berkshire Village, who marked his 90th birthday yesterday, plays the flute at a meeting of the Golden Agers. A charter member of the organization, Mr. Bartram is a member of the club orchestra.

9/10/53

Golden Age Sewers Contribute Articles To Christian Center

12-9-53

Many articles made by the Golden Age sewing club have been donated to the Christian Center for distribution to needy families. Miss Evelyn Lyman, center director, will be in charge of distributing articles, made by the club during Friday afternoon meetings at the Berkshire Museum.

The following have been completed by the club: 15 pairs of woolen mittens; 8 girls' dresses; 1 scarf; 7 children's quilts; 7 boys' shirts; 13 aprons and 3 potholders.

Other articles made this year by the club have been distributed to such charitable organizations as the New England Home for Little Wanderers. Materials have been donated by interested individuals, as well as members. Scrap materials for articles will be collected by calling the Park Department.

Golden Agers

12/16

Plans Complete For Party Tuesday At Masonic Temple

By CATHERINE GERARD

Plans for the Golden Age Club's annual Christmas party at 1:30 next Tuesday afternoon at the Masonic Temple were completed at a meeting yesterday at the YMCA. Refreshments will be served, and a grab-bag held.

Entertainment consisted of violin solos of Christmas songs played by Thomas F. Dumont; several Christmas songs by Charles Holden, William Hindle and Miss Jean Pyle of Oakland, Calif.; an original recitation, by Mrs. Sarah Eddy; and humorous stories by Robert Ayers.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stirrat reported on a meeting sponsored by the Community Chest council for the aged Monday evening at the Unitarian Church.

Birthday cake winners were Mrs. Eddy and Mrs. Gertrude Whalen. Mr. Dumont observed his 89th birthday on Monday.

Guest for the day was Mrs. Henry Nelson of Chester, Pa. The group welcomed back Mrs. Frances Norton, Bernard Boland and Miles Doran. John Ross, Mrs. Elizabeth Staples and Ralph H. Peaslee were reported ill.

Golden Age News

9/30/53

Club Plans Trip To Danbury Fair, Meets Miss Swanson

By CATHERINE GERARD

Miss Hilda Swanson, recently appointed supervisor of recreation for the Pittsfield Parks and Recreation Department, was introduced to 185 members at the weekly meeting yesterday afternoon in the Unitarian Church. Mrs. Charles Jordan, whom she succeeds, will continue her duties with the club part-time.

Robert Ayers announced that enough money remained in the treasury for another bus trip, to be planned at a meeting of the steering committee tomorrow. He stated that the turkey dinner last week was paid for from contributions made by members to the Blue Box, and not from city funds. Louis F. Minafra of the Exchange Club announced that a special car will be reserved for Golden Agers for the Danbury Fair excursion Oct. 11. Tickets may be obtained from Michael Dowd.

Mrs. Geneva Smith, vice president, presented the birthday cake to Angelo Asci. She reported that Mrs. Jo Anna Bradley is ill at Hillcrest Hospital; Clarence Welch at Pittsfield General and Arthur Bartram at home. Mrs. Edith Sweeney of Lenox Dale was the only guest.

Mrs. Catherine Gerard reported on the foliage trip, dinner and shower cards sent Thursday to John S. Ross, who is at Pittsfield General. Mrs. Delia McMullen returned after a five-month illness and Mrs. Mae Madden also was welcomed back.

Mrs. Gertrude Whalen read a poem and Stephen Burns told a humorous story. The Boys' and Girls' Choirs sang and Vincent J. Hebert spoke briefly.

As meetings cannot be held at the YMCA until Oct. 13, another place, to be announced, will be found for next Tuesday.

Golden Agers To See Liebau Dance Pupils

11/7/53

The Liebau Dance Studio will entertain the Golden Age Club with 15 dance numbers at 3:10 Tuesday afternoon at the YMCA.

Those participating in the program are: Dixie Sykes, Linda Ferrell, Pauline Davis, Karen and Marlene Hendrickson, Robert Gallison, Emily Logan, Sharon Williamson and Frances DuVal. Clifford Peaslee will be accompanist and Max Liebau, master of ceremonies.

Golden Age News

10-14-53

200 Golden Agers Entertained by Dancing Class

By MRS. CATHERINE GERARD

Thirty pupils from Mrs. Walter Conuel's dancing classes entertained 200 Golden Agers with tap, ballet and acrobatic routines at the meeting yesterday afternoon at the YMCA. Mrs. Marie Wilkinson introduced the dancers and Marie Westphal accompanied them on the piano. She later gave a recitation.

Plans were announced for a Golden Age float in the Halloween parade, to be constructed under the direction of Antonio Coli and Joseph Rivard. Mrs. Elsie M. Allen and Mrs. Bertha Sykes were reported on the sick list. The birthday cake was won by Mrs. Geneva Smith, vice president, and Mrs. Anna Holden.

Mrs. Yvonne Brown was welcomed as a new member, and Herman C. Vogel, a member of the club orchestra, was welcomed after a long absence.

Mrs. Gertrude Whalen and Mrs. Jane Renie gave recitations.

Golden Age News

Greenfield Members Guests at Meeting Attended by 227

By MRS CATHERINE GERARD

The Pittsfield Golden Agers were hosts to 33 members of the Greenfield Golden Age Club at a meeting attended by 227 Tuesday at the YMCA. Guests were welcomed by Robert Ayers, president, and Mrs. Sarah P. Eddy sang a song of welcome. Activities of the Greenfield club of 150 members were described by Mrs. Mary Potter, president.

Total attendance at meetings so far this year was reported as 9,132 by Mr. Ayres. He also asked members to come in costume to the Halloween party Tuesday. Members voted not to have refreshments at the party.

Entertainment included a Highland Fling by Mrs. Jane Rennie, who is 73; piano selections by Mrs. Dora B. Gottsche; cornet selections by 82-year-old William G. Vogel; and violin selections by Thomas F. Dumont, 89. Mrs. Martha Waterman accompanied both men at the piano. A humorous poem was read by Michael Dowd, and an article by Mr. Ayers. The boys' choir sang.

Plans for the Halloween float were discussed, and members were asked to submit songs for a new song sheet.

Mrs. Marie Wuinnie was awarded the birthday cake by Mrs. Geneva Smith. Mrs. Florence A. Joet and Mr. Vogel were welcomed back. Reported on the sick list were Mrs. Harriet Smith, Mrs. Bertha Trego, Mrs. Richard Bould, Herbert Fulker, Charles Daniels and Mrs. Elsie M. Allen.

Golden Age News

10/28/53

Plans Completed For Float in Halloween Parade

By MRS. CATHERINE GERARD

Plans were completed for the Golden Age float in the annual Halloween parade at a meeting, attended by 214, yesterday afternoon at the YMCA.

Members who have volunteered to help decorate the float will meet at 10 Saturday morning at the Stanley Club Barn.

The College Club issued an invitation to the Golden Agers to a discussion on plastic work at the Berkshire Museum at 8 Wednesday evening, Nov. 4.

Mrs. Geneva Smith, vice president, awarded the weekly birthday cake to Mrs. Bertha Stiles. The club welcomed back Arthur Bartram, Mrs. Carrie Baker, Mrs. Rose Dwyer, Mrs. Hilda Duvall and John Ross, past president, who have been ill.

Three new members joined the club. They are: Phillip Harris, William Carrow and Edward H. Brockway. Those reported ill were Joseph Engelke and Mrs. Harriet Dullmayer.

The club held a Halloween party after the business meeting. The jellybean guessing contest was won by Mrs. Geneva Hornbeck. The program included a gypsy act by Mrs. Sarah Eddy and Steve Burns; readings by Michael Dowd and Mrs. Gertrude Whalen; and songs by Mrs. Anna Farra, accompanied by Mrs. Dora Gottche.

Square and round dancing was held.

Golden Age News

11/4/53

Miss Lammers Shows Slides On British Isles

By MRS. CATHERINE GERARD

Miss Christina E. Lammers, teacher at Miss Hall's School, showed slides taken in Scotland and England to 174 Golden Agers at the weekly meeting yesterday at the YMCA.

Mrs. Edwin Metz of the Pittsfield College Club invited members to meet at the Berkshire Athenaeum today at 10 a.m. to discuss the formation of a special interest group.

The program also included humorous stories by Robert Ayers, Mrs. Catherine Gerard and Michael Dowd. John Ross expressed his thanks to those who sent him cards and visited him during his recent illness. He also read an excerpt on "What Is a Wife?"

The club president, Robert Ayers, thanked the members who participated in the Halloween float and assisted in its construction.

The secretary's report was read by Mrs. Elizabeth Stirrit, and the treasurer's report by Howard Karner.

Mrs. Florence Collins was the birthday cake winner. Clarence Welch returned to the group after a four weeks' illness, and Mrs. Carrie Callahan was the day's guest. It was announced that Anthony Coli was confined to his home by illness, and Miss Mae Madden and Mrs. Anna La Pointe were also on the sick list.

Bernard Boland led the group in community singing, and it was announced that on Nov. 9 the Liebau Dance Studio would put on a dance review.

Golden Age News

11-11-53

200 See Program By Dance Pupils Of Max Liebau

By MRS. CATHERINE GERARD

Two hundred Golden Agers were entertained after their meeting yesterday at the YMCA by students of the Max Liebau Dance Studio.

Plans were discussed for a Christmas party Dec. 22 at the Masonic Temple. Entertainment will be furnished by the Bell Ringers.

The program included a poem read by Magnus Lovgren, and an article written by Thomas F. Dumont, and read by Robert Ayres, president. The birthday cake was presented to Mrs. Emma Proctor.

Mrs. Julia May and Mrs. Anna LaPointe were reported in St. Luke's Hospital, and Joseph Engelke and Tony Cole were welcomed back after an absence due to illness.

Mrs. Helen Prior of Windsor Locks, Conn., Mrs. Emily Cuker and Mrs. Helen Yarick of Hinsdale, and Mrs. Edith DeRosia were guests.

Golden Age News

11/18/53

Reports Given, Skit Presented At Weekly Meeting

By CATHERINE GERARD

A total of 190 Golden Agers attended the weekly meeting yesterday afternoon at the YMCA, where John Ross and Herbert Smith were awarded birthday cakes. Michael Dowd was song leader.

The secretary's report was read by Mrs. Robert Ayers, and a treasurer's report by Howard Karner. Mrs. Lena Yoss and Mrs. John Lucy were reported ill, and the club welcomed back Mrs. Ellen Ainley, Mrs. Henrietta Chaffey and Mrs. Harriet Dallmayer.

The Greenfield Golden Age Club sent a letter of thanks to the local club for entertaining them during their recent visit.

The program included a skit presented by Mrs. Sarah Eddy and Mrs. Herbert Farrar. Others participating were Mrs. Catherine Gerard, Mrs. Geneva Smith, Mrs. Gertrude Whalen, Mrs. Betty Plump, Arthur Pierce, George Gottsche, Charles Brockway, Mrs. Bertha Ford, Mrs. Jesse Soderstrom, Mrs. Lena Denison, Fred Stevens, Howard Karner, Joseph Cohen and Michael Dowd. John Ross recited humorous stories.

The Dalton Golden Age Club will hold a supper meeting tomorrow evening at the Community House.

Golden Agers

11-25-53

Members Entertain At Club Meeting Attended by 190

By CATHERINE GERARD

Several club members entertained at a meeting of the Golden Age Club, attended by 190, yesterday at the YMCA.

The men's chorus sang several selections, Thomas F. Dumont played two violin solos, Winifred Pearce and Mrs. Catherine Girard sang songs. Stephen J. Burns told a humorous story, Charles Holden gave a Thanksgiving message, and Robert G. Ayers, president, recited a Thanksgiving verse. Songs were led by Michael Dowd.

The birthday cake was awarded to Mrs. Harriet Dallmayer by Mrs. Geneva Smith, vice president. Mrs. Elizabeth Stirrat read the secretary's report, and Howard Karner, the treasurer's report. Mrs. Isabelle Gilbert was the club's guest.

Members who were welcomed back after illness were Charles A. Daniels, Mrs. Gertrude Reagan, Miss Harriet Smith, and Miss Nellie Potter. Reported on the sick list were Mrs. Julia G. May and Mrs. Elizabeth Reupert. A letter of thanks was read from Mrs. Anna LaPointe for all cards sent during her stay in the hospital.

The sewing group will omit this week's meeting.

Golden Age News 12-2-53

Club Welcomes 2 New Members

Two new members, Joseph LaPorte and John Vogel, joined the Pittsfield Golden Age Club yesterday at the regular weekly meeting attended by 167. The program was opened with songs by Michael Dowd, song directod. Mrs. Margaret Cahill was birthday cake winner.

Welcomed back to the club after recent illness were Mrs. Elizabeth Reiport and Mrs. Julia May. Those reported ill were Clifford Dodge and Mrs. Frances Norton.

A card of thanks was received from Mrs. Lillian Boland, and Mrs. H. M. Jalonack expressed her thanks and appreciation to the women of the club who helped in the preparation for the Pittsfield General Hospital bazaar dinner.

A theme song composed to the tune of "Marching Through Georgie," written by Herbert Smith, was sung by him, and Michael Dowd and Robert Ayers sang another club theme song written by Joseph Ressler to the tune of "Onward Christian Soldiers." Clarence Sheppard read a humorous story entitled "Christmas Shopping," and the boys' choir sang several selections.

Golden Age News 3-27-53

Bruce Crane Tells Functions Of Council

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Bruce Crane, governor's councilor, explained the functions of the governor's council to 206 Golden Age Club members at their meeting yesterday at the YMCA.

"Barter day" will be held at the next meeting, and each member was asked to bring something to exchange with another member. The article should not be purchased particularly for the barter, but according to Mrs. Sarah Eddy, should be something that members are tired of looking at. All items should be brought in a paper bag.

Mrs. Grace Lowden, a guest from Enosberg, Vt., played with the orchestra and entertained the members with selections on her banjo. Dr. Mary MacDonald of Edinburgh, Scotland, also was welcomed. She is visiting her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Stirrat, secretary of the club, for three weeks. Mrs. Eddy sang a song with verses describing the club members.

New members were: Mrs. Elizabeth Fisher and Mrs. Ida Winnard. David Discoe was the only member reported sick, and the birthday cake was presented to George J. Gottsche.

Robert Ayers reported that the profit from the card party Thursday evening totalled $22.50, and was added to the amount already accumulated toward a dinner.

President John S. Ross exhibited the cover to the book of Golden Agers' signatures which Joseph E. Engelke lettered. The book will be sent to Arthur Godfrey from the Golden Agers. Those who have not signed the book were asked to do so this week.

Members interested in making the trip to Springfield's field day are asked to register at the next meeting so enough buses may be reserved. There will be no charge, but members will be asked to show their membership cards when entering the buses. 58

Golden Age News 6-4-53

200 Plan Trip To Springfield For 1st Field Day

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Final plans were made at the meeting Tuesday afternoon at the YMCA for a trip to Forest Park for the Springfield Golden Age Club's first annual field day. Buses will leave the YMCA Wednesday at 8.30 AM and return between 5.30 and 6 PM. Members were requested to present their cards in order to take the free trip, for which 200 have made reservations. Those planning to go, if they have not registered, are asked to do so at next Tuesday's meeting.

Two 10-minute stops were announced, to break the trip to and from Springfield, the first at Chester State Forest and the second at Stanley Park, Westfield. Facilities at the park will include plenty of chairs, benches, stadium seats and tables and 16 new rest rooms in the Walker Memorial Building. Events will take place on the field next to the zoo. Members are asked to wear their club name tags, which will be available Tuesday and Wednesday for those who do not already have them.

A letter was read explaining the proposed state Golden Age organization. It would not be political and would have no authority in the government of individual organizations, the letter stated. Its purpose would be to further recreational activities for senior citizens through an exchange of ideas and by assisting with the organization of new clubs. To discuss such an organization, club presidents and advisers will lunch together at the field.

Letters Read

Letters also were read from Bruce Crane, Henry Cabot Lodge and Mrs. Mary Potter, an 82-year-old member who recently flew to Ireland, to remain until August.

Mrs. Sarah Eddy conducted a quiz to determine the Wise Old Owl of the Golden Age Club, which title was won by William Hindle. Some 100 members participated in barter day by exchanging articles brought by them to the meeting.

Robert Ayers, vice-president, presented a wedding cake to Mr. and Mrs. Alexander White in honor of their 50th anniversary. The birthday cake was awarded to Mrs. Hattie Smith. Mrs. Elliott Smith, a new member, and three visitors, Mrs. Irene Ploss, Mrs. Martha White and Mrs. Harriet Forward, were welcomed. Anthony Coli and John Hackett were welcomed back after illness.

Reported sick were Mrs. Grace Polhill at Hillcrest Hospital, Mrs. Minnie Palmer at Pittsfield General and Mrs. Delia Shepherd at St. Luke's. 69

The maximum of 38 persons wishing to attend the third anniversary celebration of the Albany Club June 15 reserved places with Alfred Leno. As others were interested, the possibility of hiring a second bus is being investigated. Members will pay for their own transportation, as the Albany Club cannot take care of all the Pittsfield members.

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Mrs. DeFoort Tells of Trips to Neighbor Clubs

By GEORGIA ALCOMBRIGHT

Meeting at the YMCA yesterday afternoon, 174 members of the Golden Age Club heard an account by Mrs. Alexander DeFoort of some of the high lights of the trips to the Springfield field day last Wednesday and to Albany Monday. The Albany club celebrated its fourth anniversary, with 500 Golden Agers present, including two bus loads from Pittsfield.

The speaker for yesterday's meeting was Capt. William A. Heaphy of the U.S. Air Force, who gave a history of the force and described its role and that of the Air Reserve in the world today.

Mrs. Sarah P. Eddy directed members in a skit called "Food for Thought," and Robert Ayres read a poem entitled "Furlough."

Mrs. Fred O. Seaver of Brooklyn, N.Y., was welcomed as a guest, Mrs. Ettore Frank DelPonte as a new member and Mrs. William Steinmeyer after six months' absence. The birthday cake was given to Mrs. Ina Taylor.

Announcement was made of the Dalton Golden Age Club card party to be held today at the Youth Center for the benefit of their shut-ins.

Reported sick were Mrs. Ursula Bernada at home and Mrs. Anna LaPointe and Mrs. William Foucha at Hillcrest Hospital. 36

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Members To Aid Senior Citizens Scientific Study

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Dr. John Lobb, Mt. Holyoke College professor, distributed questionnaires to 167 Golden Age Club members at their weekly meeting yesterday afternoon at the YMCA. The answered blanks are to be returned to Mrs. Charles R. Jordan at next week's meeting. Dr. Lobb asked the members to co-operate in a scientific study of persons 65 years of age and over. A copy of his survey will be presented to the Park Department.

Henry Zopf presented a musical and dance program by entertainers: Gordon Chestnut, Jackie Cassidy, Theresa and Edward Roberts, Patricia Przewoznik, Carole Overbaugh and Marion Morin. Their accompanist was Mrs. Frank Rose.

A letter from Golden Agers in Esslingen, Germany, received by Mrs. Helen Rodominsky, was read. The German members noted that "the spiritual spark of the same work will bring us nearer and nearer." Twenty-seven German members signed their names and addresses in the hope that more persons will write to them in German.

As no members present had birthdays during the past week, the cake was presented to Mrs. Jordan, whose resignation from the Park Department will become effective July 1. Mrs. Jordan explained that she will continue to work part time, and her responsibilities will include the club.

Guests were Mrs. Joseph Leikum of Baltimore, Md., Albert Coli of Balmore, L.I., and Mr. and Mrs. Garfield Bassett, Max Bloom and Ebenezer Dee, all of Pittsfield. 50

Golden Agers Plan Field Day

6-26-53

Thirty Clubs Will Be Invited To Event Aug. 13

More than 30 Golden Age Clubs in Massachusetts, New York, Vermont and New Hampshire will be invited to the Pittsfield Golden Age Club's field day Aug. 13. Members of the Pittsfield College Club now are mailing invitations to the event, from 10.30 to 3.30 PM, at the GEAA grounds.

Plans for the field day were made at a recent meeting at the Chamber of Commerce, attended by representatives from the Golden Agers, Chamber of Commerce, Park Department, WBEC, GE and College, Lions and Bobby Kidney Sunshine Clubs.

More than 1000 Golden Agers are expected. James H. Lucas, Vincent J. Hebert and John S. Ross are arranging for a concession stand and are in hopes that low prices can be offered to the visitors. Warren I. Clark and Edward M. Flynn are in charge of chairs, and Paul Edwards, Mrs. John R. Stirrat, Michael Dowd, Mr. Hebert and Mr. Lucas are planning entertainment. Louis Cusato offered to have the program mimeographed at GE. A Red Cross first aid unit will be arranged for by Mrs. Chester G. Gray.

Horses and buggies are being sought for short free rides for those attending. Throwing games, horseshoes and novelty contests will be provided by playgrounds.

The Park Department is in charge of publicity.

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Rev. H. L. Nevers Tells of Virtues Of Patience

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

The virtues of patience were discussed by Rev. Harold L. Nevers, minister of the Second Congregational Church, at the Golden Age Club meeting, attended by 184, yesterday at the YMCA.

Participating in a 4th of July program were Mrs. Sarah Eddy and Arthur Bartram, who sang a duet; Mrs. Bartram, who gave a patriotic recitation; and Stephen Burns, Michael Dowd, Robert Ayers and Frank Halligan, who sang a patriotic song. Patriotic selections also were sung by the Boys' Choir and the Girls' Choir.

Frank Grabowski was introduced as a new member, and Mrs. Elizabeth Riepert was welcomed back after a six-month absence. William Warner was awarded the birthday cake by Robert Ayers.

Reported on the sick list were Mrs. Flora Plankey, at Hillcrest Hospital, and Mrs. Ida Winnard and Mrs. Florence Jost, at home.

Arthur W. Pierce invited members to visit him at the Boy Scout Camp on October Mountain, and John Cone spoke to members.

Whites Married 50 Years

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander J. White of 37 Melville Street cut the cake at a party in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary, which they observed Saturday. Twenty-one attended the party at the Lakeview Restaurant.

Golden Age News

New Theme Song Sought; Bus Trip Planned Tomorrow

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Plans were made for a trip to Glass Lake, N.Y., at a meeting of 206 members yesterday afternoon at the YMCA. Seven buses will leave the YMCA at 10 Thursday morning. Arrangements are made by Robert G. Ayers.

Mrs. Sarah P. Eddy, who wrote the club's first theme song, asked that a new one be written. Singing was led by Bernard Boland. The orchestra was composed of Mrs. Eddy, piano; Thomas F. Dumont and Ira Peterson, violins; and Arthur Bartram, flute. Mr. Dumont was accompanied in solo numbers by Mrs. Dora B. Gottsche, pianist. The Girls' Choir and the Boys' Choir sang.

The program included electric Hawaiian guitar solos by Raymond Ferrarin, 14, and Hawaian tap dances, in costume, by Sally Shea, 11.

Mrs. Victoria DesLauriers and Andrew Azselino were welcomed as guests; Charles Ruscetta and Adamo Donati, as new members; and Mrs. Charles Chester, Mr. and Mrs. Albert M. Wurgler, Mrs. Emma Lods and Mrs. Rose S. Hand were greeted after a long absence. Sick members are Charles Holden at Hillcrest Hospital; Mrs. Hilda Duvall at Springside Nursing Home; and Mrs. Jessie Soderstrom at her home, 9 Goodrich Avenue.

The birthday cake was presented to Mrs. Carrie Goodhue.

The Golden Age News was distributed by Joseph Ressler and Magnus Lovgren.

Golden Age News

Steering Committee Suggests Trips to Tanglewood, Lake

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Three recommendations were made by the steering committee of the Golden Age Club to 190 members who met yesterday afternoon at the YMCA. A suggestion that the bus committee plan a trip to Ashfield Lake July 16 was vetoed, because of crowds, with a vote that plans for a trip on that date to another place be announced next Tuesday.

It was recommended that residents of Berkshire County outside of Pittsfield, if over 65 years of age, be permitted to go on bus trips, if there are extra seats and if they pay their own way, the money collected to be placed in the black box.

It also was recommended that special buses be hired for transportation to Tanglewood for a student concert, fare to be paid by members.

Robert Ayers presided over the meeting in the absence of the president, John S. Ross, who is on vacation at Buzzards Bay. Singing was led by Bernard Boland. Charles E. Holden and William Hindle performed a cake walk and sang. Mrs. Sarah P. Eddy judged an ice cream eating contest, won by Mrs. Catherine Girard.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Lucey, whose wedding two weeks ago was the third to take place within the club, were greeted by the members. Mrs. Flora A. Planky, returned from a stay at Hillcrest Hospital, Ebenezer Deas, a new member, and Clarence Welch, who had been absent for a long period, were welcomed. The birthday cake was presented by Stephen J. Burns to Mrs. Edith Goodrich.

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Glass Lake Outing Attended by 202

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

A total of 202 Golden Agers went on an outing to Glass Lake, N.Y., yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Russell D. Bousquet, Mrs. Wayne E. Birchard, and Mrs. Chester G. Gray, a registered nurse.

The Golden Agers' orchestra played for square dancing after lunch, and entertainment was provided. Mrs. Alcombright and John Cone led the grand march.

Participating in the entertainment were Roger, Sandy and Dennis Wendelken, Sarah and Delmar Tifft, Mrs. Martha F. Waterman, Mrs. Dora B. Gottsche; Thomas F. Dumont, Mrs. Catherine Gerard, Herbert Faulker and Michael J. Dowd.

The "boys" and "girls" choirs sang several selections.

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295 Persons See GE Movie On Recreation

By CATHERINE GERARD

The movie "A Chance To Play" from the William Stanley library of the General Electric Co. was shown to 205 Golden Agers at a meeting yesterday at the YMCA. The movie was produced by the GE in cooperation with the National Recreation Assn., and it explained the need for more recreational facilities under professional leadership for all age groups. Part of the film was devoted to recreation for Golden Agers. Robert Ayers, president, mentioned the need for an everyday meeting place for Pittsfield Golden Agers.

Washington Trip

G. R. Beckman, passenger representative of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, described the itinerary of the Washington, D.C. trip scheduled for March 23 to 26. Mr. Beckman said that Rep. John W. Heselton, Sen. John F. Kennedy, Sen. Leverett Saltonstall and other dignitaries would great the Golden Agers during the tour. Those making the trip were advised to take only one suitcase and they were assured that their baggage would be taken care of for them.

Mr. Beckman also assured them their money would be completely refunded at the last meeting if they are unable to make the trip. He also told members they will tour Washington in sight-seeing buses under the direction of an experienced guide. A Baltimore & Ohio representative will be on hand to direct the group from the time they leave Pittsfield.

Card Party

Robert Ayers told members that there were more than 24 tables filled at the card party last Wednesday. Thirty door prizes were awarded. Proceeds were donated to the blue box for a dinner in the fall.

A harmonica contest by the Dalton Golden Age Club tomorrow at 2 p.m. at the Dalton Community Center was announced by Joseph Ressler. Pittsfield Golden Agers are invited to participate or listen.

Slides of the West will be shown to the special interest group at the Berkshire Athenaeum today. The Senior Citizens Committee will present a concert Wednesday March 10 at 2:30 p.m. at the First Methodist Church. The program will include Howard A. Fohrhaltz, tenor, and Mrs. Fohrhaltz, alto, and Mrs. Edwin J. Mets, accompanist. Michael Dowd read a letter describing the work of the Berkshire County Extension Service so that Golden Agers might avail themselves of the opportunities offered.

Guests at the meeting were Mrs. Mildred Charron of Lenox, Mrs. Russell Goulty and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bailey. Mrs. Emma Brooks won the birthday cake. Mrs. Geneva Smith welcomed Antonio Sbraccia and Mrs. Ida Schaeffler as new members.

Reported on the sick list were Mrs. Lena Dennison and Mrs. Alice Newton, both at home; Stephen Burns at Pittsfield General, Herbert Smith at Springside Nursing Home, and Ralph Peasley at Hillcrest.

It was announced that Chief Fred Reynolds of the Naval Recruiting Station will give an illustrated talk at next week's meeting.

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Albany Officers Entertained At Local Meeting

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Robert Ritchey and Henry Koeber, president and vice-president of the Albany Golden Age Club, were guests, with Mrs. Henry Nelson of Brookhaven, Pa., of the Pittsfield Golden Age Club at the weekly meeting yesterday afternoon at the YMCA.

Edward M. Flynn, president of the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club, described the purpose of his organization as similar to that of the Golden Agers. Two members volunteered to help arrange flowers. More volunteers are needed, he said.

Richard Bard played the accordion and Mrs. Sarah Eddy and Robert Ayers conducted a "baby" contest in which Mrs. Annie Farrar, John Cone and Michael Dowd drank soda from nippled bottles.

Thomas Hould, a member for more than three years, who will leave this week to live in Rome, Ga., made a farewell speech. Mariano DeCarlo, a new member, was introduced by Mrs. Marie Wilkinson, receptionist. Reported sick were Mrs. Jessie Soderstrom and Charles Holden at Hillcrest Hospital and Mrs. Flora Plankey, at her home, 287 Second Street. A birthday cake was given to Mrs. Flora Rabowin.

A trip to a student orchestra concert at Tanglewood is planned. Members, who will pay their own bus fares, will be guests of the Berkshire Music Center. Details will be announced at the next meeting.

A letter from the Golden Age Club of Esslingen, Germany, was read by Mrs. Charles R. Jordan of the Park Department staff. The German club was organized on the pattern of the Pittsfield club by Otto Weinmann, who visited the local community as an exchange student.

Golden Age Club Postpones Field Day Until June, 1954 8/3/53

The Golden Age Club field day committee, at a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce on Friday, voted to postpone the Aug. 13 field day until June, 1954. Although the response to the invitations sent out to 35 other Golden Age clubs indicated that interest in such a field day exists, a majority of the clubs invited do not meet during the summer and, therefore, their members could not attend the Pittsfield event. Replies to invitations indicated that an earlier date in the summer would be more desirable.

It was also decided to hold an all-day picnic for the Pittsfield Golden Agers only during the month of August.

Golden Age News 8-5-53

100 To Attend Event Tomorrow At Tanglewood

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

One hundred members in three buses will attend the student symphony orchestra concert in the Tanglewood Music Shed tomorrow evening. They will leave the YMCA at 5.30 and have supper on the Tanglewood grounds. Admission will be by presentation of club membership cards.

Robert Ayers reported that the field day, scheduled for Aug. 13, will be postponed until 1954. Plans for a picnic on Aug. 13 will be discussed at a meeting of the steering committee tomorrow Mr. Ayers reported on the "blue box" contributions.

The 200 members present were entertained by accordionist Richard Lamke, grandson of Golden Ager Mrs. M. C. Lamke, accompanied by Mrs. Martha Waterman; William M. Liebau, Miss Katherine Gerard and Mrs. Jane Rennie, dancing; and John Cone telling a story of his youth. John S. Ross read a newspaper article written in the year he was born. Mrs. Gertrude Whalen recited a poem and the Girls' Choir sang, followed by the Boys' Choir, under direction of Michael Dowd.

Mrs. Marie Wilkinson introduced Mr. and Mrs. Walter Park of St. Albans, L.I., Mrs. Elizabeth Hammond of Albany and Mrs. Hattie Gribbon of Pittsfield, visitors. Mrs. Minnie Richmond and Mrs. Anna Plankey were welcomed back. The birthday cake was given to Mrs. Charles Chester and Mrs. Catherine Blake. Mrs. Mae Maddon at Hillcrest Hospital and Albert Wargler were reported sick.

Mr. Ross announced that a 10-member nominating committee would be appointed Tuesday.

Club To Picnic Tomorrow at State Forest 8-12-53

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By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Members will leave the YMCA tomorrow morning at 10.30 in six buses for a day at Pittsfield State Forest and return at 3.30 PM. Members are asked to take their own picnic lunches. Coffee will be supplied. A similar trip is planned for Aug. 19 at the Boys' Club Camp, Richmond Pond. An invitation was read from the Schenectady club for a picnic on Lake George, to be held tomorrow.

Ten candidates for the nominating committee to be selected next week in preparation for elections Sept. 1 are: James Jones, Edward Young, Frederick Stevens, Joseph Ressler, Mrs. Martha Waterman, Mrs. William Beals, Mrs. Florence Sharon, Mrs. Charles Chester, Mrs. Dora B. Gottsche and Mrs. Emma J. Allen.

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Providence Club Reports

Robert Ayers read a letter from the Providence club, organized two years ago, which now has a membership of 626. They are interested in the field day, which has been postponed until June, 1954.

Mrs. Sarah P. Eddy presented "sublime to the ridiculous" vesses, followed by a song by the participants and a circus song by Thomas Dumont.

Recommendations from the steering committee, read by Michael Dowd, included a request for names of Golden Age shut-ins who would like to receive the News, yesterday issued by William Hindle.

John S. Ross reported the illness of Elliott M. Preble, YMCA secretary. Mrs. Mae Madden, the only Golden Ager reported ill, will receive flowers donated by Mrs. Richard DeFoort.

Ira Peterson, now of Red Rock, N.Y., returned to play the violin with the Pittsfield club orchestra. Mrs. Flora Planket and Mrs. Mata Tower were present after several months' absence.

Visitors were Mrs. Johann Heebner of Watertown, George E. Bradford of Dalton and Mrs. John O'Laughlin.

The Boys' Choir sang two new theme songs, written by Herbert Smith and Frederick Stevens. Mrs. Eddy led the club in the song which she wrote when the club started. The birthday cake was presented to Mrs. Elizabeth Hatin.

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Mrs. William Beals Heads Committee On Nominations

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Mrs. William Beals was elected chairman of the nominating committee by 201 members meeting yesterday afternoon at the YMCA. Also named to the committee were Mrs. Emma Allen, Mrs. Martha Waterman, Joseph Ressler and Edward Young. Elections will be held Sept. 1.

Robert Ayers announced that six buses today would take members to Camp Russell for a day at Richmond Pond. Members would be accompanied by Mrs. Chester Gray, nurse; Mrs. Howard Broderick of the Pittsfield College Club, and Mrs. Ralph E. Plump and Mrs. Charles R. Jordan of the Park Department.

Fifty-one members are planning to attend the concert at South Mountain Sunday afternoon on invitation by Mrs. Willem Willeke, director. Two buses will leave the YMCA at 3.15. Other members wishing to attend are asked to report to Mr. Ayers Sunday afternoon at the YMCA for tickets.

President John S. Ross thanked members of the club, the College Club and the Park Department staff who have assisted during his term.

Entertainment included songs by Arthur Hebler, stories by Mrs. Sarah Eddy and Thomas Dumont and the recitation of poems by Mrs. Catherine Gerard, Mrs. Anie Farrar, Mrs. Elizabeth Sterrat, Clarence Shepherd and Charles Daniels.

The birthday cake was given to Mrs. Ellen J. Stevens. Mrs. Isabelle Bliss of this city and Mrs. Alveda Fisher of Independence, Mo., were welcomed as guests. Farewell was said to Mrs. Nan Matza, who soon will leave for Independence, Mo. Mrs. Marie Charland was reported sick at her home, 24 Dartmouth Street.

Joseph Torchi, probation officer will speak at Tuesday's meeting.

Golden Agers Hold Outing 8-20-53

About 200 Golden Agers traveled in five buses yesterday to the Boys' Club camp at Richmond Pond, where they held an outing. Members brought their own lunches, and the camp provided free coffee. The Golden Age orchestra played for dancing. Entertainment consisted of vocal selections, poetry readings and humorous stories by members.

Golden Agers who wish to attend the concert Sunday afternoon at South Mountain may obtain tickets when they board buses at 3.15 at the YMCA.

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Tanglewood Friends Issue Invitation To Concert Aug. 6

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Tickets to the concert at Tanglewood Thursday, Aug. 6, will be available to Golden Agers through the courtesy of the Friends of Tanglewood, it was announced at the meeting yesterday by Mrs. Charles R. Jordan. Those wishing to attend may make reservations with Mrs. Jordan at the meeting Tuesday. Members may carry their supper, or purchase it at the Tanglewood Restaurant.

A string quartet, consisting of Mrs. Harriet Vogt, first violinist, Mrs. Elizabeth Jayko, second violinist, Mrs. Pier A. Abetti, celist, and Mahlon L. Henderson, violist, entertained the 177 present. They were introduced by John S. Ross, president, and their services obtained through efforts of Mrs. Francis J. Sheran and Anthony Coli.

Visitors were Mrs. Elizabeth Dahlberg of Brooklyn, N.Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hart of Atlanta, Ga.; and Mrs. Lina Carini, Mrs. Rena DeGrio, and Mrs. Angelo Bertele, of this city.

Mrs. Mary J. McInerney was welcomed back afte a seven-month absence, and Mrs. Esther Heaney was welcomed as a new member. The birthday cake was awarded to Mrs. Mary G. White and Mrs. Leona Dunlap.

The meeting concluded with selections by Thomas F. Dumont on the harmonica, and Michael Dowd and the girls' choir, led by Mrs. Delia Noon.

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GOLDEN AGER Thomas F. Dumont says it is no wonder North Street has traffic jams. One Saturday he sat in his window at 443 North Street and in 35 minutes from 3.15 to 3.50 counted 1000 cars passing.

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180 Attend Outing At State Forest 8-17-53

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Approximately 180 Golden Agers attended an outing yesterday at the Pittsfield State Forest, as a substitute for the field day originally planned. Members carried box lunches.

The Golden Age Club Orchestra played for round and square dancing at the ski lodge following the picnic. Croquet, horseshoes and card games were played.

Mrs. Fred N. Krook served as first aider. Mrs. Edwin J. Mets of the Pittsfield College Club and Mrs. Ralph E. Plump and Mrs. Charles R. Jordan of the Park Department also assisted during the day. Arrangements for the trip were made by Robert H. Ayers, vice-president.

Golden Age Club Picks Candidates 8-25-53

Pittsfield, Aug. 25—At a meeting of the Golden Age Club this afternoon the nominating committee reported that Robert Ayers and Michael Dowd will be the candidates for president at a meeting and election of officers Sept. 1st.

Other officers nominated were Mrs. Geneva Smith and Alfred Leno and Stephen Burns for the vice-president's chair.

Unopposed are incumbents Mrs. Elizabeth Sterrat, secretary and Howard Karner, treasurer.

Joseph Torchio, probation officer for the Central District Court was the speaker at today's session.

9-2-53

Golden Age News

Robert Ayers Succeeds Ross As President

By GEORGINE ALCOMBRIGHT

Robert Ayers was elected president of the Golden Age Club at a meeting of 208 members at the YMCA yesterday afternoon. He succeeds John S. Ross. Mrs. Geneva Smith was named vice-president, following Mr. Ayers. Re-elected were Mrs. Elizabeth Stirrat, secretary; Howard Karner, treasurer. John Cone and Mrs. Julia May were elected steering committee representatives.

Officers will be installed Tuesday. New and former officers will attend the steering committee meeting Thursday morning at 10 at the Park Department office.

Mrs. Marie Wilkinson introduced two guests: Mrs. Delia Martin of Hartford, Conn., and Miss Doris Sweeney of Pittsfield. Mrs. Mae Madden was welcomed back after a long illness and Alonzo Dutcher was reported sick at Hillcrest Hospital.

Recitations were given by Mrs. Gertrude Whalen, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Jane Rennie and Thomas Dumont. William Liebau described his trip to the Smoky Mountains.

A newly-formed "girls'" quartet sang a new theme song composed by Frederick Stevens. The quartet was composed of Mrs. Elizabeth Connors, Mrs. Elsie Allen, Mrs. Dora Gottsche and Mrs. Sarah P. Eddy, who substituted for Mrs. Herbert Farrar.

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Reservations Made By 70 for Turkey Dinner and Trip

By CATHERINE GERARD

Reservations have been made by 270 members for the free turkey dinner tomorrow evening at the Masonic Temple. Announcement was made yesterday at the meeting at the South Congregational Church. The dinner will follow a foliage trip, for which seven buses will leave at 2 from the YMCA. Arrangements have been made by Robert Ayers, club president, and Mrs. Ayers. Caterers are Eastern Star members.

Mrs. George Tompkins, president of the College Club, who four years ago helped to organize the Golden Age Club and since has co-sponsored it with the Park Department, was introduced. Mrs. Edwin Mets now is chairman of the project. Mrs. Dora B. Gottsche, Mrs. Sarah P. Eddy and Arthur Bartram accompanied Michael Dowd, Mr. Ayers, Frank A. Halligan, Stephen Burns, Alfred Leno and John Cone in a program of songs at the College Club's new members' dinner tonight.

John S. Ross and Mrs. Flora Plankey, who are ill, were visited by the sick committee. Flowers were given the club by Mariano DeCarlo. Mrs. Jessie Soderstrom was welcomed back after a long illness. Mrs. Marie Wilkinson introduced John E. Young, a new member. The birthday cake was awarded to Mr. DeCarlo by Mrs. Geneva Smith, vice president. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Greibert were guests.

Mrs. Georgine Alcombright, who recently retired as publicity chairman, spoke on her work.

As the YMCA will be unavailable Tuesday as a meeting place, owing to redecoration, another place will be announced in The Eagle and on the radio.

270 Golden Agers To Attend Dinner After Bus Trip

9/23/53

Pittsfield, Sept. 23—President Robert Ayers of the Golden Age Club announces that 270 Golden Agers will attend the turkey dinner at the Masonic Hall Thursday. Doors will open at 4:45 and busses will return from the foliage trip at that time. Seven busses will leave the YMCA at 2 Thursday. Membership cards must be shown for the bus trip and tickets for the dinner. Both are free to club members. Arrangements for the dinner have been made by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ayers. The dinner will be catered by the Eastern Star.

Mrs. George Tompsins, president of the College Club, was introduced to the Golden Age Club. The College Club helped organize the Golden Age Club four years ago and has cosponsored the club with the Park Department. Mrs. Edwin Mets is now chairman of the College Club project group for the Golden Agers. Several members of the Golden Age Club will entertain at the College Club Tea, on Wednesday.

Golden Age News

5th Anniversary To Be Celebrated By Local Group.

By MRS. CATHERINE GERARD

1-13-54

Plans for a fifth anniversary celebration were discussed at a meeting of the Golden Age Club yesterday at the YMCA, attended by 127. Robert Ayers, president of the club, announced that the anniversary meeting would be at 1:45 Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 26, at the Jewish Community Center.

The birthday cake was awarded to Mrs. Emmie Snow and Mrs. Estella Runaldue.

Mrs. Edwin Mets of the Pittsfield College Club, who invited the Golden Agers to the entertainment program at the Berkshire Museum this evening, also reminded them of the special interest group at 10 a.m. tomorrow at the Berkshire Atheneaum. Mrs. Maude Vincent is in charge of the program, and Mrs. C. M. Cederstrom of the College Club will speak.

John S. Ross and Mrs. Mae Madden were welcomed back.

Reported ill were Henry Goddeau, Frederick J. King, Mrs. Bertha Ford, and Mrs. JoAnna Morrisey.

The program included a skit by Mrs. Sarah Eddy and Mrs. Dora B. Gottsche. Herbert Smith and Mrs. Waterman accompanied them. Mrs. Jane Rennie danced the Highland Fling.

The GE Pensioners invited club members to the Pensioners Dance at 8 Thursday evening, Jan. 21, at the AOH hall.

A humorous story was read by George Gottsche, and the progress of the song sheet committee reported by Mrs. Dora B. Gottsche.

Golden Age News

Program Plans For January Are Announced

1-6-54

By MRS. CATHERINE GERARD

The program schedule for January was announced by Edward Meitz at a meeting of the Pittsfield Golden Age Club yesterday at the YMCA attended by 195.

Arthur Pierce will give an illustrated talk on "Life in Turkey" on Jan. 6; Mrs. Curtis Cedarstrom will speak on Herman Melville on Jan. 13; Magnus Lovgren will give an illustrated talk on "A Trip to the Land of the Midnight Sun" on Jan. 20; Mrs. George Hunt of the Berkshire Athenaeum will give a book review on Jan. 27; and Michael Dowd will review "Kontiki" on Feb. 3.

The birthday cake winner was Mrs. Anna Farrar. Guests for the day were Mrs. Florence Wagner of Pittsfield and William Noble of Dalton, who led the community sing.

It was reported that Miss Margaret Boulette was ill, and the club welcomed back Mrs. Anna Northrup and Mrs. Elizabeth DeFoort.

Arthur Rice of 28 Pomeroy Ave., was admitted as a new member.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fulker, who have been married 50 years, were awarded the anniversary cake. Mrs. Sarah Eddy sang a new theme song written by Joseph Ressler. A ballon breaking relay, with the men competing against the women, was conducted by Howard Karner; the men won.

Humorous stories were told by Thomas Dumont, Steve Burns and Mrs. Anna Farrar and Charles Daniels sang two solos.

Golden Age News

Local Group Invited to Minstrel Show

1-20-54

By MRS. CATHERINE GERARD

Members of the Golden Age Club were invited to the Mount Carmel ministrel at 2:30 Sunday afternoon, Jan. 31, at Pittsfield High School auditorium, it was announced by Anthony Coli, at a meeting of the club yesterday at the YMCA. Members will be admitted free by showing their Golden Age cards.

One hundred sixty-five attended the meeting, and Mrs. Florence King was the birthday winner. Michael Dowd led the group in singing.

New members admitted to the club were: Mrs. Florence Wagner and Mrs. Eva Adams. Guests for the day were Mrs. Mary Potter, president of the Greenfield Golden Age Club, who discussed the proposed trip to Washington, D.C., that several Golden Age Clubs are taking in the spring. She also mentioned that the Greenfield club has added 30 new members to their roster in the last month.

Three Members Ill

Mrs. Anna Northrup sent a card of thanks to all who sent her cards during her recent illness. Mrs. Mary Martin, Mrs. Mary Potter and Richard Engelman were reported ill this week.

The Girls Chorus sang two selections, led by Mrs. Sarah Eddy and accompanied by Mrs. George Gottsche. A tall tales contest was held, and Edward Brockway was declared the grand liar of the group, he received a prize for his efforts.

The club was once again reminded that next week will be the fifth anniversary of the local group and will be held at the Jewish Community Center. Speakers will be Police Chief Thomas H. Calnan; Daniel Martin, chairman of Parks and Recreation Department, Harold M. Jalonack; Rabbi Jacob Freedman; Vincent Hebert, Supt. of Parks and Recreation Department. Entertainment will be provided by Mrs. John Meyers and Henry W. Zopf troupe. Refreshments will be served.

1-27-54

Golden Age News

Local Group Observes 5th Anniversary

265 Attend Birthday Event At Jewish Center

By MRS. CATHERINE GERARD

The Pittsfield Golden Age Club, sponsored by the Park Department, celebrated its fifth anniversary yesterday at the Jewish Community Center. Two hundred twenty-six members attended the program, which opened with the usual club proceedings and a community sing led by Michael Dowd.

Robert Ayers, president, gave a welcome address and introduced Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of Parks and Recreation, and Herman Shukovsky, executive director of the Jewish Community Center. The speakers expressed their congratulations to the entire group for the prosperous club they have had for the past five years, and wished them continued success.

Birthday Cake Winner

Mrs. Elizabeth Stirrat gave the secretary's report, and Howard R. Karner, the treasurer's report. The birthday cake was presented to Mrs. Theresa Guinipero, by Mrs. Geneva Smith, vice president. The club thanked the Joanne Bakery for donating cakes each week for the past five years.

The club welcomed back Mrs. Hilda Duvall and announced that Dr. Charles Crowley was ill at his home. It also was reported that Mr. and Mrs. Edward Young will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Feb. 3.

Guests from the Albany, N.Y., club were entertained, and R. H. Ritchey, president, spoke briefly. Cards of congratulations were received from Mrs. Johanna Bradley, and Mrs. Mary Potter, president of the Westfield Golden Age Club.

Officers of the local group were invited to attend the fourth anniversary party of the Dalton Club Feb. 4. A luncheon will be served.

Speakers were: Thomas H. Calnan, chief of police; Harold M. Jalonack, of the General Electric Co.; and Mr. and Mrs. George Ames.

President's Report

Mr. Ayers reported on club activities for the past year. Five years ago the club started with only 65 members, he stated and now has 600 registered members with an active membership of 250. The average attendance at each meeting is 200.

Fifty-two meetings were held during the year, with seven bus rides, a dinner at the Masonic Temple, and a float in the annual Halloween parade. The Golden Age Sewing Club has donated several items of clothing to the Christian Center and the Boys' and Girls' Choir has entertained for various civic groups in the city.

Four couples celebrated their 50th wedding anniversarys, one a 62d, and three weddings took place.

The club expressed thanks to the Park Department, the College Club, the YMCA, the Unitarian Church, and Fred Fahey for use of the Boys' Club camp.

Entertainment Program

The main entertainment program was presented by Henry W. Zopf and his troupe, accompanied by Mrs. John Myers. The following participated in the program: James Hoctor, Susan Tucker, Jackie Cassidy, Joan Thornton, Rita Simmons, Betsy McCormick, Gordon Chestnut, Gloria Chiaretto, Jack Garrity, singers; Thomas Dumont, violin and harmonica solo; Tommy James, Sandy Shepard, Judy Needham, dancers; and Howard Plouffe and Chuck Bennett, guitars.

The local group has been invited to a series of concerts sponsored by the Senior Citizens, beginning at 2:30 Monday afternoon in the Unitarian Church. Also, to another senior citizen's activity at 7:30 Monday evening at the Women's Club. This meeting will be conducted by Paul K. Fodder and John Hawkins. Discussions will be on "How To Make a Will, Investments, and Dangers of Not Planning."

Refreshments were served by the College Club members.

Pittsfield, Massachusetts, Tuesday, December 14, 1954.

NONAGENARIAN Thomas F. Dumont, center, is congratulated by fellow Golden Age Club members Saturday night at the Moose Hall at the testimonial given Mr. Dumont by the Moose lodge. Mr. Dumont, a charter member of the local lodge, is 90 years old today. About 100 persons attended. Mr. Dumont was presented a smoking set. He entertained the crowd with selections on violin and harmonica.

Final Interviews Set Saturday on Playground Jobs

Final interviews for playground positions will be held Saturday. Persons interested in applying for full-time positions as directors or leaders, or part-time positions as sports directors or movie projector operators, should contact the Department of Parks and Recreation for an interview.

To date, 65 applications have been received, mostly from well-qualified college women who have applied for leaders', directors' and supervisors' positions. It is hoped that more men will apply for positions; so far only 11 have.

For the sports directors' positions, men 20 years old and over are preferred. This part-time work will be two or three evenings each week for the nine-week season, paid on an hourly basis.

The department hopes to have all playground staff members approved by the Park Commission by May 12.

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Allen Heights Playground Is Assured

Council Votes $3,050 for Land Purchase

With some reluctance, the City Council last night unanimously approved an order for the appropriation of $3,050 for land to be used as a playground in the Allen Heights section of the city. H. J. Bridgman Inc., which developed most of the Allen Heights section, will get $2,250 of that amount and the Hutchinson Sand & Gravel Co. will get $800.

"If," declared Council President Patrick E. Callaghan, "the people in the area hadn't been promised such a facility many years ago when they bought their homes and if they weren't so insistent for a playground today, I don't think I would vote for this appropriation. The Bridgman land, in my opinion, isn't worth anything for future home building. What's more, members of the Planning Board tell me that Mr. Bridgman promised orally several years ago that he would set aside a piece of land for playground purposes in Allen Heights, but that he doesn't recall any such promise today."

Past Overtures Recalled

The Council president's remarks were provoked by two councilmen, Donald G. Butler and Harvey E. Lake, who recalled similar overtures by the Allen Heights developer.

"Didn't we have to bail Mr. Bridgman out a street he didn't complete up in that section?" Butler asked.

"Don't ask," Callaghan answered. "There were several such streets."

However, when Councilman Roy F. Brown proposed that the matter be sent to the Finance Committee so that councilmen could get a good look at the Bridman property, he was voted down, 10 to 1.

Callaghan said that the land is assessed for some $850—the last time he checked—and that the mayor and the city solicitor after some checking had probably decided that the $2,250 figure for the Windsor Avenue land was reasonable. He also said that people in the area are so anxious to have the playground that they have volunteered to do "substantial" clearing of the land.

The Council also appropriated $3,000 for printing of city history books and another $3,000 for additional costs in the rehabilitation of the old building that has been retained at the city infirmary.

John Quinlan Elected Head Of FMTA

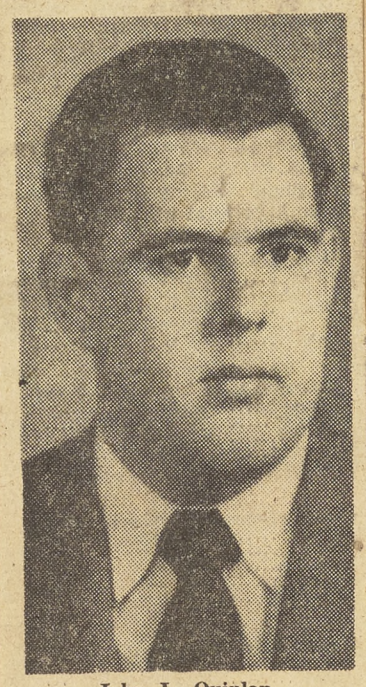
2-3-53

Secretary Nagle Reports Increase In Activities

John L. Quinlan was elected president of the Father Mathew Society at the 79th annual meeting at the society building last night.

Other officers named were: vice-president, Bernard Berry; treasurer, C. Arthur McGill; clerk, John Faulkner.

The new president, who succeeds Leo Gillette, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo J. Quinlan, and is a native of Pittsfield. He is a graduate of St. Joseph's High School and St. Michael's College where he graduated in 1949 with a degree in business administration. At college he was a member of the varsity football team and was also active



John L. Quinlan

in the Berkshire Club, Business Club and was vice-president of his junior class.

Mr. Quinlan, who is now associated in business with his father, at the J. Fred Kahl jewelry store is also president of the Berkshire County Chapter of St. Michael's Alumni Association and is chairman of the CYA committee and a member of the Quarterback Club. He has been active in FMTA work for many years.

John J. Nagle, general secretary, in his report stated that all activities showed a marked increase. Several non-membership groups used the facilities of the building during the first quarter including Central Junior High School, firemen, bus drivers, Boston College Club, Notre Dame PTA, St. Joseph's AA; also neighborhood groups and various organizations from several parishes. Social activities included the teen-age meetings, and seasonal holiday paries. Mr. Nagle told of the success of the new CYA basketball program. Leagues are composed of teams from the various parishes in the city.

Girl Scout Executive Is Honored

Adelaide R. Carter Selected for Trip to Greece

Miss Adelaide R. Carter of Newell Street, executive director of the Berkshire Girl Scout Council, has been selected by the national Girl Scout organization to go abroad next summer as an exchange camp counselor under the Girl Scout 1953 program of international exchange.

Miss Carter, who will be one of 12 young women to take part in the program, will go to Greece as a guest of the Hellenic Girl Guides Association. She will sail for Europe June 26 on the USS United States. While abroad, she will be a counselor in the Girl Guide camps

Miss Adelaide R. Carter

of her hostess organization and will visit centers of Guiding throughout the country.

The selection of Miss Carter was based on an endorsement of the Berkshire Hills Council to the national branch office in Boston, one of 12 in the country. Each branch submitted three names of the best qualified persons from their region for the final decision by a selection committee of the national organization.

Qualifications Listed

Qualifications included at least two years' experience as a volunteer or professional worker in Girl Scouting, ability to interpret Scouting to individuals and groups in other countries; an interest in international affairs; and technical and general knowledge that will enable her to take an effective part in Girl Guide activities.

The program will be financed by the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund, to which all troops contribute to promote and develop the Scouting movement. Last year, Scouts of the Berkshire Hills Council gave $100.41 to the fund.

This year's program, in addition to sending 12 counselors abroad, will bring 12 foreign Girl Guide leaders to this country, where they will serve on Girl Scout camps, visit Scout troops and become acquainted. Thirty-one Senior Scouts will be sent abroad to represent Girl Scouts of the United States at international encampments in Norway, Finland and Switzerland, and 48 Girl Guides from nine countries will be brought here. All participants will get acquainted during a five-day session from June 17 to 22 at the Girl Scout National adult education center, Edith Macy Training School in Westchester County, N.Y., before they go abroad or are received by American hostess councils.

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Came Here in 1949

Miss Carter has been a professional Girl Scout worker since 1947. Before coming to Pittsfield in 1949, she was executive director of the Haverhill Scout Council for two years. In her three years here, the council has grown from a municipal council serving 445 girls in Pittsfield, to an area council serving 1126 girls in more than three-fourths of Berkshire County.

A 1944 graduate of Wellesley College, where she majored in Italian and minored in French and Spanish, she was an officer in the WAVES during World War II. She has been a camp director for six years. Miss Carter's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Carter of Needham Heights.

2-6-53

Square Dancers Elect Fairs As President

John H. Fairs of Pittsfield was elected president of the Berkshire County Square Dance Association at the February meeting Tuesday night at the Lenox Community Center.

Other new officers of the group formed one year ago, are Orville Wilkinson of Lanesboro, vice-president; Mrs. Charles E. Wertz of Lenox, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. H. C. Hughes of Lenox, Thurston C. Pilsbury of Pittsfield and James C. Willis of Pittsfield, directors for one year.

Members of the nominating committee were Harold E. Danforth, chairman, Mrs. Donald M. West and Mr. Pilsbury. A report of the year's activities was given by the retiring officers, headed by Mr. Willis.

A program of dancing followed the business session. Members attended from Pittsfield, Lenox, Lanesboro and South Williamstown.

Marilyn Thompson Attends Ski School

2-3-53

MEDFORD — Miss Marilyn J. Thompson is one of a group of Bouve-Boston School juniors who are spending the week at the Hannes Schneider Ski School in North Conway, N.H.

At the school she will learn to ski and to teach skiing. Miss Thompson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald B. Thompson of 85 Emerson Avenue, Pittsfield.

Miss Carolyn F. Wagner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Wagner of 14 Wallace Place, Pittsfield, will spend next week end at North Conway. Miss Wagner is a sophomore at Bouve-Boston School.

3-10-53

Local Civic Groups Consider Sending Ambassador Abroad

The possibility of sending abroad a community ambassador to represent Pittsfield was discussed last evening by a dozen members of civic, church and social organizations at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott Hill, 215 Bartlett Avenue.

As outlined by Henry J. Borgese, a representative for the Experiment in International Living, and by those who have seen the project in operation in Europe, the envoy would be a young man or woman between the ages of 18 and 30, whose expenses, amounting to about $725, would be paid by organizations in the community. The purpose would be to promote a better understanding between the people of Pittsfield and other parts of the world.

After a summer in Europe, South America or Mexico, the ambassador would return in September, to be available to speak on his experiences in living in the country to which he was sent. He (or she) would write weekly articles to The Eagle.

Qualifications Listed

Qualifications for such an ambassador would include a knowledge of the language of the country to which he would go, unless English is widely spoken, as in Northern Europe; that he would live in Pittsfield the following year; that he would have experience in out-of-door living; that he would have the personality and ability to live in a family as a part of it, to observe and interpret their way of living to Pittsfield and to interpret Pittsfield and its people to his host-community.

After five weeks of living with a Spanish family, for instance, if he should go to Spain, he would take a three-week trip through the country with his host and finally spend a week in the metropolis, such as Madrid.

The "experimenters" travel in groups of 10, with a leader. On the trip through the country he would join his group, with their hosts.

Among the communities sending ambassadors since 1948 are Brattleboro, Vt.; Niagara Falls, Hudson, Glens Falls, New York City and Yonkers, N.Y.; Greenwood, Miss.; and cities in Michigan and Connecticut. The New York State Department of Education sponsors a project which sent 30 last year from that state. There were 80 envoys throughout the country.

The ambassadorial plan is conducted by the Experiment in International Living, from its offices in Putney, Vt., through which many local students have gone abroad for the summer, paying their own way. Under the ambassador plan, for the promotion of which the Ford Foundation recently has made a grant because of its importance in furthering international understanding and peace, young persons who cannot afford the fee, but would make desirable representatives, may have the opportunity.

Representatives Named

Organizations represented last evening are: Pittsfield College Club, Mrs. Wayne E. Birchard and Mrs. George B. Tompkins; Kiwanis Club, Douglas T. Gass; [redacted] Teacher Council, Robert S. Schoonmaker Jr.; Young Adult Group of the Parks and Recreation Department, Mrs. Charles R. Jordan; Y's Men's Club, Mr. Jordan; Caroline Adam Society of the First Congregational Church, Mrs.. Jesse L. Thomason; Woman's Society of the First Methodist Church, Mrs. Frank L. Youngs; Jewish Community Center, Mrs. Michael Arrowitz; Lions' Club, Warren U. Sears; The Eagle, Mrs. George W. Edman; and Junior Chamber of Commerce, Frank MacDonald. Mrs. Frederick M. Myers, Miss Elizabeth Gatchell and Miss Christine Lammers have been associated with the experiment themselves or through their families.

Other organizations will be asked to participate in the project and to attend a meeting Monday evening, March 30, at a place to be announced.

Larson M. Powell On Dean's List

3-3-53

Larson M. Powell, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. LeRoy Powell of 536 Pomeroy Avenue, is on the dean's list for the past semester at Harvard University.

A junior at Harvard, Mr. Powell is a member of the Crimson Key Society, on the student council, treasurer of the international activities committee and chairman of the activities committee of the freshman union. He is a Pittsfield High School graduate.

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Hot Rod Drivers Will Skid Around

22 Souped-Up Cars Entered In Polio Drive Exhibition

Poor Weather Won't Halt Spectacle, In Fact, Drivers Say Snow Will Help— First Heat Begins Promptly at 2 PM

By JOHN VANDER VOORT

The hot-rod fraternity will try a slippery stunt Monday afternoon, when a rugged contingent of Pittsfield and eastern New York speedsters plan to push their souped-up buggies around the ice at Pontoosuc Lake.

The unusual exhibition, which may well encounter some weather difficulties, is being staged to give the March of Dimes a boost. There won't be any admission charge, but a collection will be taken.

Women To Compete

As the field stands now, there will be 22 stock cars entered, including several courageous women. Most of the pedal stompers come from New York, but there are several from Pittsfield.

The drivers, who race during the regular season on the eastern New York circuit, will show their stuff Monday around an imaginary quarter-mile track—laid out somewhere between the public beach and the YMCA property.

Of course, the winter weather may pose a problem. It might snow, or a warm spell could melt the ice.

Frank Van Slyck of 65 Norman Avenue, one of the Pittsfield drivers, who plans to wheel his car around the exhibition course, has a couple of simple answers if these possibilities arise.

Snow Will Help

"If it snows," says Frank, "we'll like it." Frank claims snow will make it easier to get around the lake. "Of course if it's too deep, some will have to be swept away," he explained.

Suppose it rains, Frank was asked. "Well, in that case, we may get a little wet, but it won't hurt the cars any," he said. Water deeper than two or three inches on the ice may postpone the event, however.

According to Van Slyck, drivers will face no more danger on Pontoosuc than on a regular dirt track. He says they won't be traveling fast enough to get in serious trouble. About 30 to 35 miles an hour will be tops, he thinks. "Of course we wear special crash helmets and have safety bars in the cars, too."

The cars probably won't be equipped with special tires but, being an open event, chains or grippers will be acceptable.

Van Slyck Bus Ready

Frank and his wife, Louise, one of the female contestants, were checking their bus, "Six and Three-Quarters Junior," this morning. It's reported in top shape. Competing against them from Pittsfield will be Henry Bouchard, Grover Gray, Robert Verge, Willis Houghtaling and Lloyd Phillips. The rest of the field will come from New York.

Frank says he expects to inspect the course this afternoon. While the line of the track is imaginary, the four corners will be marked with bales of hay. The hay will serve both as markers and backstops for cars skidding out of control.

Marcel E. Peltier, chairman of the sports committee of the Polio Fund, in charge of the event, anticipates a good crowd, since many people won't be working in observance of Washington's Birthday.

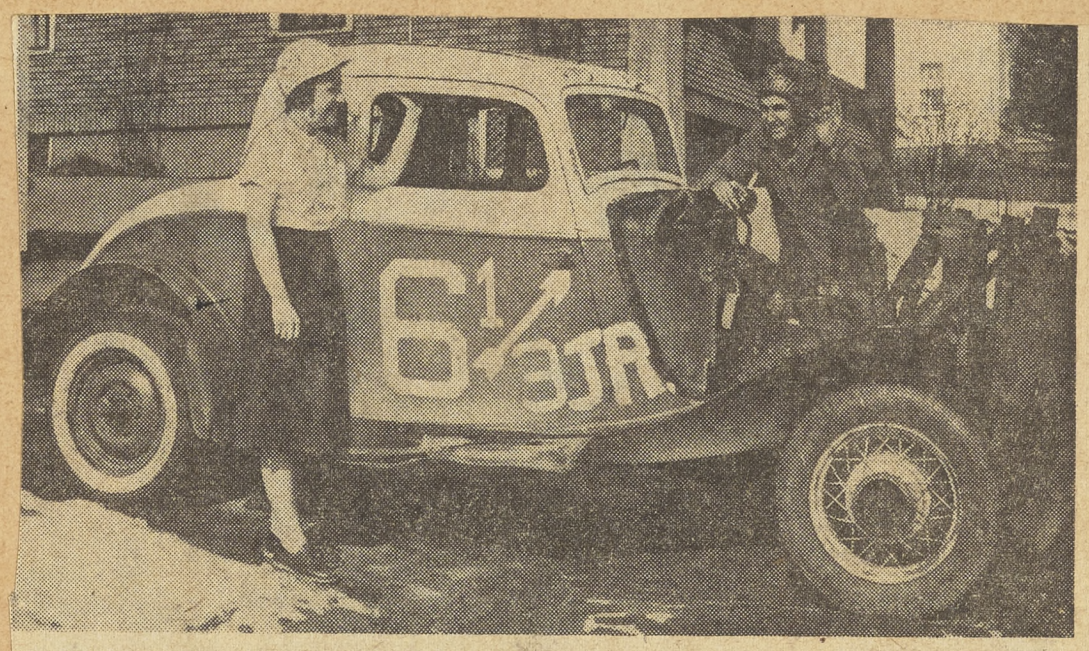
Volunteers To Help

Organizations which have volunteered to help run the show are the VFW, American Legion, Civilian Defense and the Lions, Rotary, Kiwanis, Exchange and Optimists Clubs. Members are asked to be at the lake by 1 PM. The exhibition begins promptly at 2 PM.

There will be four events for the men, and one "powder puff" for the gals.

Among the drivers will be Jack Sweeney of Berlin, N.Y., a polio victim several years ago.

Pontoosuc Lake Ice



WARMUP: Frank VanSlyck, right, of 65 Norman Avenue, gives the okay signal to his wife, Louise, that their gaily-painted stock car is ready to roll in the exhibition race Monday afternoon on Pontoosuc Lake. The event, first of its kind in these parts, is to benefit the March of Dimes. Twenty-two cars from Pittsfield and eastern New York are already entered. First heat starts at 2 PM.

Fair or Foul 3/26/53

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FRANCIS DOUGLAS, the fifth recipient of the Knights of Columbus plaque for outstanding contributions to Pittsfield sports, is the first volunteer to be so honored. The four men who preceded him all were professionals, in one sense or another. They included a sports editor, two teacher-coaches and a boys' leader. If a clock had been put on Douglas, a GE time study man, I'll bet his service to local sports over a seven-year period would average close to 1000 hours a year.

Alice V. Coffey Named Representative to School Health Sessions 3/23/53

Miss Alice V. Coffey, supervisor of health and safety education in the Pittsfield School Department, has been named to represent the Massachusetts Asssociation for Health, Physical Education and Recreation at the New England Administrators Conference on School Health this week in Williamstown.

Miss Coffey was named by Miss Helene D. Breivogel, state association president. The conference will be tomorrow, Thursday and Friday at the Williams Inn.

Discussions at the conference will center around the needs of school administrators in carrying out school health programs through home, school and community levels.

The conference is cosponsored by the American Association of School Administrators, the Office of Education, the Public Health Service, the Children's Bureau, the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association and the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

SERVING THEIR COMMUNITY

G. E. News

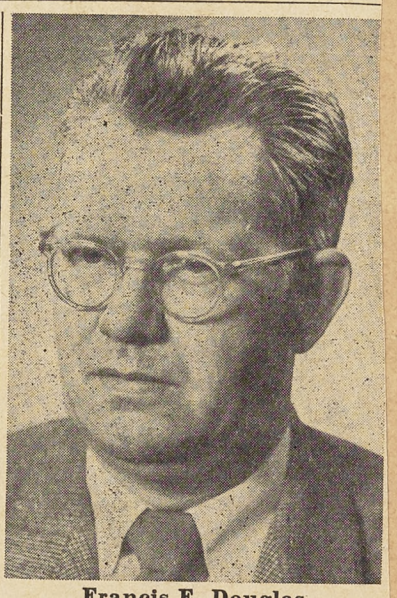
As one thing leads to another, an active interest in one sport eight years ago has led Francis E. Douglas into participation in many groups sponsoring sports for local youth.

It all started when Fran Douglas became interested in the Pittsfield Speed Skating Club . Since then his participation in groups promoting sports for youth has mushroomed, until today he's kept busy constantly as chairman, coach, director or active member of many organizations for the youth of Pittsfield.

Here's just a sample of some of the groups he's active in: the Flea League and Little and Bigger Baseball Leagues, Junior City Baseball League, Park Department bowling program, Pittsfield Speed Skating Club, Monday Morning Quarterback Club, CYA at the FMTA.

Winter Carnival Chairman

He's also been chairman of the Winter Carnival for two years, chairman of the North American Speed Skating races in 1950, and in such G. E. groups as the Stanley Club Field Day committee, Stanley Club entertainment committee and chairman of the G. E. golf tourney. He's been active, too, in the Coliseum Fund, in addition to a number of other activities, such as organizing Halloween parades, sled racing and Easter egg rolling.



Francis E. Douglas

Fran Douglas' contribution to sports for youth has not gone unrecognized. Last Saturday night he was the fifth recipient of the Rabida Council, Knights of Columbus and FMTA'S 1953 award, given annually to the local resident who has made an "outstanding contribution to the City of Pittsfield's youth in the field of athletics."

The award, in the form of a silver plaque, was presented at the sports night program in the Boys' Club auditorium, following a dinner at the Berkshire Restaurant.

With G. E. Since '36

A group leader in charge of wage rate in power transformer punch press, Mr. Douglas has been with G. E. since 1936. He and Mrs. Douglas and their three children make their home at 25 Elizabeth Street.

Farrell Attacks Borletto; Urges Wahconah for Others

3-10-53

Sports Enthusiast Alleges Aces' Manager Antagonizes Merchants by Fund Solicitations—Action on Dates Postponed

The Buick Tyler Aces and especially their manager, Joe Borletto, fell under sharp attack by sports enthusiast Clem Farrell last night at a meeting of the Park Commission in City Hall Annex.

Farrell, proprietor of a West Street sports store which recently went out of business, sternly told the commission he thought Borletto's request for use of Wahconah Park for baseball games three times a week next summer should be given "no consideration."

The commission, however, granted the Aces use of the park for one day, Sunday, May 10, date of a scheduled booster game with the Albany Elks.

Action Postponed

The commission decided to postpone action on requests for other dates at the park until its next meeting, Monday night, March 28.

Aroused over what he called Borletto's "mismanagement and misrepresentation" of his team, Farrell appealed to the park board to turn down the Aces' request on the grounds that dates for the park should be kept open as there are other city organizations that want to use the facilities.

Borletto had requested the Park Department for use of Wahconah's facilities on Tuesday and Friday nights and Sunday afternoons during the summer. He said he would be satisfied to play Sundays at Clapp Park if Wahconah is unavailable.

Farrell's Charge

Farrell, active in city-wide athletic activities for many years, charged Borletto with antagonizing local merchants by soliciting funds. Borletto said his team needs money and donations are sought that "expenses may be met."

Said Borletto: "We are not trying to make money . . . only to meet expenses. The merchants are behind us." He said that $667 has already been pledged in advertising by merchants for baseball programs this summer. "But we need $1120 if expenses for 10 games in May are to be met," he added.

Borletto failed to appear at last night's meeting, but was represented by his coach, George Pellerin, and catcher, George Morrell. He said today his program for the Aces has been sanctioned by the Chamber of Commerce.

Farrell, who told the commission the Aces' tournament team was "bleeding for funds" while in Wichita, Kan., last summer, said Borletto's teams have had "more sponsors than France has had cabinets."

'Not Knocking' Baseball

Farrell claimed he was familiar with the problems of running a ball club. He said he was not knocking semipro baseball in Pittsfield, but was only suggesting that Borletto's requests be turned down.

Borletto, reached for comment this morning, said he considered semipro ball important to Pittsfield and that the public wanted it.

Farrell told the commission that Borletto owed him money and suggested that he (Borletto) "put his own house in order" before accepting the responsibilities of team management.

Admits Owing Bills

Borletto admitted he owed Farrell and other people money . . . the same as "nearly everyone else has bills to pay."

Farrell further stated he thought if Arthur R. Birchard — current sponsor of the Aces—"knew the full story he wouldn't tolerate it."

Farrell said he considered Pittsfield "a fine sports town," and praised William (Butch) Gregory of Lenox for his progress in organizing a good semipro basketball team—the Lenox Merchants.

Borletto this morning stressed the importance of meeting team expenses. He cited costs of park rental, umpires, public address systems, gatekeepers and other items needed for every game. He strongly emphasized that the Aces were not trying to "make" money.

Hebert Heads CD Division

3-11-53

Park Executive To Direct Rescue, Transportation Unit

Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the Parks and Recreation Department, has been appointed chief of the newly-created civil defense rescue and transportation division, CD Director William H. Cooney announced today.

Mr. Hebert, who came here from Montpelier, Vt., in 1950, will head a nine-unit division calling for a total of 45 men. One of the teams will be trained specifically in the use of the new CD rescue truck which was recently purchased with city and federal funds, forming a completely independent rescue unit.

The other units will man the four light duty trucks and the four heavy bulldozers.

Four of the five men in each team should be trained in first aid and the division is looking for volunteers. The men should preferably be trained in heavy equipment operation, welding, rigging and mechanics, although unskilled volunteers will be trained.

The division chief was educated in the Quincy schools and received his bachelor's degree at the Hyannis State Teachers College. He took his master's degree in recreation at Columbia University. He served in the Navy in both the Pacific and Atlantic theatres in World War II and was recreation director in Montpelier from 1947 to 1950.

He is married to the former Miss Pearl Berry of Livermore Falls, Me. They have a daughter, Gail, and a son, Douglas.

City Officials Tour Central Junior High

3-19-53

Mayor Capeless and a dozen of his department heads went on a conducted tour of Central Junior High School yesterday afternoon to study the feasibility of converting it into a City Hall.

The building will be available in June, when it will be discontinued for school use. The present City Hall is 121 years old and has been branded unsafe for continued occupancy.

No estimates have been compiled yet on the cost of remodelling Central Junior High. If the building is taken over for city offices, the plan would probably be to spend a bare minimum on the conversion. It would be considered temporary quarters to be occupied only until the city could afford a new building.

There appears to be little enthusiasm among city employes for the proposed move, which they feel would be from one inadequate, old building to another. They complain that Central Junior High is poorly designed for city offices and is badly located in relation to public transportation.

R. G. Exley Leaving for Springfield

3-20-53

Scout Executive Appointed by Hampden Council

Russell G. Exley, Scout executive of the Berkshire Council, has resigned his position to become executive of the Hampden Council with headquarters in Springfield, President James N. Stack of the local council announced today.

Exley has been the Berkshire Council Scout executive since Dec. 15, 1949 when he succeeded Perry S. S. Jackson. His resignation will become effective June 15.

During his stay in the Berkshires, the boy membership of the council increased from 1800 to 2700. The adult membership of the council increased from 700 to approximately 1000.

Exley will succeed Scout Executvie John C. Norsk, who is retiring from the Hampden Council. The Hampden Council membership is about 5000 and includes all of the county except Holyoke.

Exley, who lives with his wife the former Jean Collyer of California, at 80 Windsor Avenue, came to Pittsfield from Providence, R.I.

He was discharged from the Navy in 1946 with the rank of lieutenant commander, after duty in both the Atlantic and Pacific theatres. A graduate of Brown University in 1937, he entered scouting professionally that year.

Stock Car Races To Be Held On Pontoosuc Lake Feb. 23

Providing the ice is strong enough, stock car races will be held on Pontoosuc Lake Monday afternoon, Feb. 23, at 2.

That's the plan of Jimmy Russo, who recently confirmed reports that he has leased 10 acres in New Lebanon, N.Y., for the construction of a stock car racing track.

Russo said today that he will promote the races on the lake, and contribute at least one-half of the proceeds to the infantile paralysis fund. No admission will be charged, but a collection will be taken.

Russo said that he has received a promise of assistance from Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the Parks and Recreation Department. He disclosed that the races will be run on a one-quarter mile track, with iron poles erected in the ice as guide-posts.

Present indications are that at least 20 drivers will compete. Most are residents of New York state. They will discuss details with Russo at a meeting Tuesday night at 8 at Frankie's and Johnny's Restaurant in West Pittsfield.

Editorial 3/21/53

. Congratulations to Coach John Carmody and his Pro Drug Girls, whose seventh conquest of the New England AAU tournament seems to indicate that Jack Perry hasn't yet been able to find in Leominster a squad to match the team he helped to promote in Pittsfield.

'Ambassador' From City To Be Discussed

Representatives of organizations interested in the possibility of sending abroad a community ambassador will meet Monday evening at 8 in Room 212 of the Pittsfield High School. They will continue the discussion of the project started earlier in the month at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott Hill.

Henry Borgese of the staff of the Experiment in International Living, Putney, Vt., will be present to describe the plan as it works in other communities.

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Fr. George Kerr Cites Frank Leahy as Nearest

Mayor Presents Silver Plaque To Douglas, Award Winner

Charley O'Rourke, U. of M. Football Coach, Makes Awards to Athletes at Fifth Annual Affair Attended by 400 at Boys' Club

By FRANCIS M. CALLANAN

"Frank Leahy, football coach at Notre Dame, is the nearest approach to the perfect coach," Rev. George V. Kerr, former All-American football player at Boston College, told an appreciative audience of 400 at the Knights of Columbus-FMTA sports night last night at the Boys' Club auditorium. Fr. Kerr was introduced by John Kellar, Dalton High football coach and former Holy Cross captain, who played against Fr. Kerr when the priest was a student at Boston College. Charley O'Rourke, head coach of football at the University of Massachusetts and an All-American teammate of Fr. Kerr at Boston College, presented the athletic awards. Raymond L. Haughey presided.

Plaque to Douglas

Mayor Robert T. Capeless presented a plaque to Francis E. Douglas for his contribution to sports locally. Mr. Capeless said that he had presented two previous awards. He pointed out that the previous awards were richly deserved by men who had made their contributions on a professional basis after nearly a lifetime of work.

"Fran Douglas is unique," the mayor said. "He is not yet old enough to have given a lifetime of service. And he has given his services freely without any desire of recognition or encouragement. Men of his type should be given more encouragement that their numbers may grow."

John M. Flynn and John T. Carmody, previous award winners, were present. Mr. Flynn, former sports editor of The Eagle, left for Florida this morning to cover the baseball training camps. Mr. Carmody is supervisor of physical education at Pittsfield High.

The evening was spirited, from the opening bars of "The Star-Spangled Banner" to the final strains of "God Bless America," which closed the program. In eulogizing Leahy, who was his football coach at Boston College, Fr. Kerr asked the question, "What makes the ideal coach?" Fr. Kerr praised Leahy as a master strategist, keen psychologist, outstanding disciplinarian, and Christian gentleman; and developed his theme by citing several incidents from Leahy's coaching career at Boston College.

Cites Great Athletes

Fr. Kerr next asked, "What makes a champion athlete?" He listed courage, determination, natural ability, poise, and concentration. Fr. Kerr mentioned several well-known in the field of athletics possessing one or more of these qualities. He cited Joe Cronin, general manager of the Boston Red Sox; Gregory Rice, former Notre Dame track star; Tom Harmon, former Michigan All-American football player; Rocky Marciano, heavyweight boxing champion; Tommy Collins, Boston featherweight; and O'Rourke.

Fr. Kerr's next question was, "What makes a perfect man?" He listed the qualities of mind, will and heart, perseverance, fortitude, peace of mind, and concentration—each with its counterpart in the make-up of a champion athlete.

In making a comparison between the athletic champion and the perfect man, Fr. Kerr said: "What makes the champion in the natural order makes the saint in the supernatural order. What the sports-writer calls courage, the church calls fortitude." Fr. Kerr similarly paired the other qualities.

Referring to Catholic Youth Organization activites, Fr. Kerr said that a youngster who participates in CYO activities learns two things: First, the value of courage in athletics; and, second, the value of fortitude in life in relationship to God. Under the CYO, he said, sports can prepare well for the game of life.

O'Rourke Presents Awards

Awards were presented by Coach O'Rourke to outstanding athletes at Pittsfield and St. Joseph's High Schools. Winners from Pittsfield High were Charley Garivaltis in football, Woodrow Morgan in basketball, and Larry Bossidy in baseball. From St. Joseph's, Peter Tierney in football, Pat Robinson in basketball, and George Gallagher in baseball received awards.

Mrs. Douglas, wife of the honored guest, was presented a bouquet of flowers.

Movies of the 1952 World Series were shown.

Guest speakers and award recipients were entertained at a dinner at the New Berkshire Restaurant preceding the program.

The committee in charge: Mr. Haughey, general chairman; Robert W. Tucker, James W. Cullen, John Quinlan, Robert and John Prendergast, John Nagle, Peter McErlain, Harold C. Ruel, Edward Hrughey, James P. Reynolds, John F. Downing, Kirvin Phair and Frank Condron.

AWARD WINNER HONORED: Charley O'Rourke, University of Massachusetts football coach, left, Mayor Robert T. Capeless, Rev. George V. Kerr of Natick, with Mr. and Mrs. Francis Douglas looking at silver plaque presented Mr. Douglas for his voluntary contribution to sports at sports night at the Boys' Club. The affair was sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and FMTA.

Charles Giftos Named President Of Y's Men's Club

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S. Charles Giftos

S. Charles Giftos was elected president of the Y's Men's Club for a one-year term at the bi-monthly dinner meeting lost night at the Y. He succeeds Donald F. Radke.

Other officers named were James J. Scullary, first vice-president; Raymond E. Carmell, second vice-president; Meredith A. Read, secretary; and Joseph H. Cadorette, treasurer.

Members of the board of directors for the coming year are Charles R. Jordan, Edward Welsh and Henry A. Bonnet.

About 22 attended the meeting, which was followed by a talk by Miss Christine Lammers. She spoke on the community ambassador program of the Experiment in International Living. The group voted unanimously to assist in promoting this program, both financially and with their service. The club's delegates to the community meeting on ths program March 30 in Pittsfield High School will be Mr. Read, Mr. Bonnet and Mr. Jordan.

A banner with the club's official insignia was presented to the club by Mr. Radke on behalf of his wife and himself for service rendered by the club during his term of office. After the presentation, George H. Smith, program chairman, showed a steel production film, "The Shining Heart."

Induction ceremonies for new officers will be conducted by Mr. Radke at the next regular meeting, April 2.

Toward the Popularizing Of Youth Hostels

3/2/53

The Youth Hostel movement is an establishment that deserves more attention than it generally receives. It is dedicated to providing inexpensive accommodations for people, especially young people, who want to see the country at a leisurely pace. This inspection is carried out by means of transportation sometimes considered obsolete, such as hiking, bicycle-riding, horseback-riding, or when conditions are right, canoeing. Hostels are simple overnight accommodations, sponsored by local committees, charted by the national headquarters of American Youth Hostels, and supervised by local houseparents, who frequently are owners of the property. Hostels provide separate sleeping quarters and wash rooms for men and women, a common kitchen where hostelers cook their own meals, and usually space for recreation. They provide bunks, blankets, cooking utensils and cleaning equipment.

The AYH aim whenever possible is to space hostels close enough together (around 20 to 25 miles) so that the distance between them can be covered in a day, and so that a series of them combine to make a route of considerable length. This is not always possible. For some years there was no hostel between Berkshire County's Sheffield and central Vermont. Recently, with a hostel in Lenox and with a hostel established at Camp Sumner, the gap has been narrowed, but there is still no hostel between Pittsfield and Clarendon, Vermont, near Rutland.

Though little publicized, Camp Sumner last summer accommodated 198 members of the AYH, including representatives of five countries and six states. As it becomes better known it is hoped the number of its patrons will increase and that other hostels will be opened between here and Clarendon. The AYH certainly is designed to help those with a love of the country and little money to enjoy themselves at a minimum cost and we are glad to see that the Pittsfield Parks and Recreation Department in cooperation with the YMCA is already preparing for summer activities.

Constructively Speaking

By Philip C. Ahern

IT WAS BOUND to occur eventually. Just like the wonderful one-horse shay, which by the way only lasted 100 years, Pittsfield's City Hall was certain to require replacement. As such things go, the time chosen is proving particularly inconvenient.

The city is financing the most extensive construction program in its history and will be carrying the burden of taxation resulting therefrom for the better part of the next 20 years. This is obviously not the time to be required to construct a new City Hall which would involve at least a million dollars of new spending.

Knowing full well that first problems have been met first with a heavy impact on taxes, the city administrattion is prepared to face up to the need for new quarters for its operations with a minimum of spending.

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IT SO HAPPENS that Central Junior High School will be available for some sort of use after the close of the school year and this structure proves to be the means of meeting the situation. While the Engelhardt Survey rather emphatically recommended the abandonment of CJHS, the city administration is exploring all reasonable means of reneging on the Engelhardt abandonment idea in hopes that it will be feasible to say, "Heck, no, we'll make CJHS into a City Hall."

Such a transformation of a structure from a school to a City Hall is obviously not a mere mattter of shifting personnel and equipment. The old school has to be made to do the job of being the city's main municipal building.

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THE BUILDING is adequate in terms of layout and space to house all city offices except those of the Police Department, Public Welfare Department and Veterans Service Department. As a matter of fact, most of the departments, if moved to Central Junior High School, would have more space than they now have in their present location.

Although it remains to be seen how convenient the structure would be in actual use, the indications are that it could be used for at least a decade without crowding the activities of too many departments.

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ON THIS BASIS, the question arises as to how much should be expended to improve the structure. The tentative thinking lies on the side of spending as little as possible — but even that little might prove considerable since the structure cries for thorough renovation.

At the very least, rooms would require painting, new lighting and improved flooring, not to mention such incidentals as office partitions and shelving.

One of the bigger problems lies in providing vault space. There is none in the school at present.

The building, which is now heated by hand-fired boilers, possibly could be connected to the Western Massachusetts Electric Company's steam system. This might save on custodian costs, although it would undoubtedly involve heavy expense if the boiler room space were to be converted to other use.

Access to the building for citizens could be provided from First Street at relatively low cost and potential parking space for both citizens and City Hall employes is more than ample.

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AS THE PROBLEM is being explored now, it seems clear that the structure can be adapted to the city's needs, although only time will prove whether, in the long run, the arrangement is other than stopgap.

City department heads who visited the building in a body this week were not altogether entranced with the possibilities of the present grim and grimy building. There seems to be a general unanimity of view that there is plenty of space, though it may be in inconvenient locations.

Before a final decision is reached, many problems will have to be ironed out. At present, at least, moving to the old school looks like the best solution to a problem arising at a most inconvenient time.

A. Kenyon Ferry Elected Head Of Junior Chamber

A. Kenyon Ferry was elected president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce at a meeting Tuesday evening at the Sheraton Hotel. He succeeds Bernard E. Stelzenmuller.

Other officers elected were: O. Theodore Kirby, first vice-president; Robert A. Crim, second vice-president; Robert Langley, secretary; and Frank A. McDonnell, treasurer.

Elected to the board of directors were: George R. Lagarce, Joseph J. Barile, John U. Druck and Richard W. Hardt.

Installation will be at the next meeting May 12, when Governor's Council member Bruce Crane will speak on "What Jay Cee's Can Do To Encourage Better Government."

Richard W. Hardt, chairman of the Scotch-light safety program, is being assisted by Frank S. Potashnic and Raymond H. Grenley. The program which starts officially today was discussed at the meeting.

C. A. Newmann, chairman of the Teen-age Roadeo, May 9, announced his committee members. The process of inaugurating Pittsfield as a Junior Achievement City was discussed by the group, with Robert A. Crim as chairman of the program.

Jr. High Use for Recreation After School Urged by Russell

A city-wide "recreational master plan" for full utilization of Pittsfield's two new junior highs after school was urged by Superintendent Edward J. Russell yesterday at the seventh session of the "Know Your City" series sponsored at the Girls' Club by the League of Women Voters.

Dr. Russell said the buildings will provide excellent facilities for recreational use under paid professional supervision, but he added that "practically no thought has been given to the potential role of these facilities in the community's over-all recreational program."

Most of the city's present facilities for children of junior high age, he said, are near the center of the city, creating a dearth of neighborhood-centered recreation except during the summer. A recreational master plan would be able to integrate the after-school programs of private and public agencies with a minimum of wasteful duplication, he suggested.

Such a plan, he said, might determine whether the School Department should go into the recreation field in competition with private agencies, whether the Park Department should operate a year-round program at the North and South Junior Highs, or whether the private agencies should operate programs at the junior highs for children who do not live near these agencies' present buildings.

Lakewood Neighborhood Plan Nears Completion

3-28-53

3 New Streets And a Park Are Proposed

By PHILIP C. AHERN

A master plan for broad improvement of Pittsfield's Lakewood section is nearing completion. Suggestions made by representatives of the Lakewood Civic Association for changes in a preliminary neighborhood plan are being reviewed now by the Planning Board.

The plan is the third of the Planning Board's residential community series, prepared as guides to orderly neighborhood growth. Previous studies have dealt with the Allengate-Allendale section of the city and the Highland Avenue area off Peck's road.

The Lakewood neighborhood plan takes in the area bounded by Elm Street, Newell Street, East Street and Birch Grove Drive. The plan comprises a series of recommendations affecting residential expansion, park and recreation facilities, community centers, shopping and commercial uses, and an improved street plan.

Small Subdivisions

In analyzing the present characteristics of the neighborhood the report states:

"This area has suffered from the lack of an-over-all plan and the fact that it has been developed by a series of small, unrelated subdivisions. The area is handicapped by a considerable number of tax-delinquent lots which have reverted to city ownership. Large gravel pits are being developed along its eastern borders. It contains substantial farm lands and wooded areas and other areas which are subject to floods from the East Branch of the Housatonic River.

"The area needs a plan to conserve its natural features and advantages and to provide it with those public services which will encourage a more efficient development, with adequate neighborhood facilities."

1910-1920 Era

The development of the area as a residential section dates back to the expansion of the General Electric Company here between 1910 and 1920. Over that period the land was carved into bits and pieces by fly-by-night developers who lured buyers to the area by free transportation, band concerts and an extensive program of "give-aways." Many of the streets so laid out have yet to be accepted by the city and some exist only on the original layouts.

The Lakewood plan calls for the extension or construction of three streets to provide access throughout the neighborhood, for the improvement of several private or mapped streets, for street widening and street abandonment.

To provide north-south access throughout the section a new street is recommended incorporating Kenwood, Belmont, and Amherst Streets. Also proposed are the extension of Longview Terrace at its northerly and southerly ends, and building of an eastern by-pass to begin at Elm Street between Birch Grove Drive and Lillian Street and extend eventually to East Street.

For future residential development, the plan calls for single homes on lots of not less than 6000 square feet in the area now only partially developed. That portion north of Longfellow Avenue and centering on Parkside Avenue would be a one and two-family area. The undeveloped area would be one-family with a minimum lot size of 10,000 square feet. These recommendations are part of the revised zoning ordinance.

The Planning Board's report states that "despite the two existing parks, this area lacks sufficient outdoor recreation facilities." It sees a solution to the problem in converting land unsuitable for residences or farms for park purposes. City acquisition of Goodrich Pond, its entire shoreline and the area to the southwest of it, is recommended for park and recreation purposes.

Shopping Centers

Provisions are made for new local shopping centers at Newell and Pembroke Avenue, and a larger one at East Street and Longview Terrace. Community centers are suggested at the intersection of Radcliffe Avenue and Hope Street and at the northeast corner of Goodrich Pond.

These general features of the Planning Board report on the Lakewood area embody immediate and future guides for the growth of the section. The immediate needs center on integrating the street pattern to provide north-south articulation. Lack of cohesive relationship which has resulted from planless development has caused many of the principal problems of the section. It particularly underlies the problem of school redistricting.

After revising the plan for the Lakewood area, the Planning Board will have copies printed for distribution to all residents of the section. As in the case of the first two of its neighborhood plans, the board will then hold a hearing for residents to express themselves on the recommendations.

Fowler-Heaton Air Photos

READY FOR A NEW ERA: If proposals now getting their finishing touches in a Planning Board study are carried out, this section of Pittsfield may see increased building and over-all improvement. The air view, looking north, shows Hibbard School on Newell Street at the left. In the foreground is Dorchester Avenue. Goodrich Pond and the undeveloped land around it would become a park.

'The Balance Rock Tour'

4-15-53

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

It is too bad that Balance Rock Park has been neglected for so long, but I am glad to see efforts are being made by Mayor Capeless to have it turned over to the state for a state park. Then it will again be adequately cared for and maintained, so that Balance Rock itself, Split Rock, and the boulder on which nature has carved a perfect cross may again be seen by cutting back the bushes and trees and keeping the roads and paths open.

Many years ago (I am 88 now) when I was a young man, I was employed for several years by Arthur W. Plumb and George W. Clark who operated both the Maplewood Hotel and the American House. The former was a summer hotel, situated on the site where the First National Supermarket on North Street now stands, the latter where Mike's Army and Navy is now located. Both of these hotels had a considerable number of summer visitors, although the American House was a year-round hotel and also took commercial travelers.

One of my jobs at the hotel was to be the guide for personally conducted carriage tours in the immediate vicinity of Pittsfield. My favorite was the so-called "Balance Rock Tour," which took a whole afternoon.

The first stop would be at Pontoosuc Lake where we would pause at about the spot where Broadway now joins North Street. I would tell them the Indian legend of how the lake got its name. The next stop was at the grave of Josh Billings in Lanesboro. He was a very popular humorist of the day and I would repeat many of his sayings. Then on to historic Constitution Hill, also in Lanesboro, where there is a beautiful view of both Pontoosuc and Onota Lakes.

Then we looped over to Balance Rock, which was the highlight of the trip, with the next stop at Lulu Cascade and what was known then as the "North Woods." We then proceeded along the west shore of Onota Lake, making a stop at the southern end of the lake where there is the grand view of Greylock.

Two more stops were made before we got back to the hotel. One was at the house of George Nixon Briggs, governor of Massachusetts from 1844 to 1851, whose house on West Street still stands. The last was a purely personal one. It was to look at the clock in the tower on South Church Street of the Hurlbut-Eaton Paper Company [later the Eaton, Crane & Pike Company, and now the Eaton Paper Corporation]. Earlier this building had housed the Terry Clock Company for whom I had worked, and Mr. Simeon G. Terry and I had made this particular clock. It has been running and keeping correct time ever since.

THOMAS F. DUMONT.
Pittsfield.

Broad Social Study Here Seeks Co-ordinated Plan

Plans for a long-range study of the social needs and social services of Pittsfield were announced today by leaders of the United Community Chest and the Pittsfield Community Council. The study is designed, the leaders said, to give the Pittsfield public one hundred cents value for every tax and gift dollar that goes to the various organizations in the city.

Four Appointed

Chest President Benjamin M. England and Arthur G. Sanford, president of the Community Council, announced appointment of a four-man committee to conduct the study.

Joseph Gross, general manager of the Lichtman Tanning Corporation, was named chairman. Other members are Walter B. Booth, general manager of the Pittsfield GE naval ordnance department, Mayor Robert T. Capeless and Lawrence K. Miller, editor of The Eagle.

Mr. England and Mr. Sanford point out in a letter to all Red Feather agency officials and members of the Community Council that the committee has had its first meeting and will soon be contacting the various organizations to secure information needed in the study.

"Each of you agrees, we feel sure," the letter states, "with the necessity for such a study—to examine the needs for social services in our community, to determine the degree to which these needs are being met by both private and public agencies, to develop plans for co-ordinated social services and to make recommendations for accomplishing these plans, keeping in mind the present and possible economic future of Pittsfield."

Recreation Included

The study will cover all facets of the city's social services, including the recreation field. Both Mayor Capeless and School Superintendent Edward J. Russell have touched on this phase in recent public talks.

The future development of recreation facilities and programs in Pittsfield hinges largely on the two gymnasiums that will be available when the two new junior high schools are opened this fall.

Dr. Russell has advocated establishment of a master recreation plan for the entire city. Mayor Capeless has warned that unless private organizations such as comprise the Chest and Community Council move in, governmental agencies will be forced to fill the breach.

The council's recreation division has been waiting to see what program develops in the new junior high gyms so that plans can be made to fit the over-all recreation program around that system, a spokesman for the council explained today.

The four-man committee expects its study to take a minimum of two years to complete. Tentative plans call for several interim reports to correct any immediate faults that may be found.

Need Recognized

Plans for the study have been in the making for the past year. The council's health division was one of the groups that strongly urged such a move. The health division made the recommendation after making a preliminary survey of the health field in Pittsfield and deciding that changes and improvements are definitely needed.

Those changes, it was reported, would eliminate duplication of services by some organizations and provide for a more complete, round-the-clock coverage.

The council's family and children's division, on the basis of an incomplete study of existing organizations in the field, has reached the conclusion that it may be possible to unify or combine some services.

The four-man committee will receive assistance from experts in the community survey field who will help decide the type of study that best fits Pittsfield's needs.

Mayor Advises Boys' Club Officials Not To Let Government Do Their Job

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Mayor Robert T. Capeless last night urged leaders of the Boys' Club to plan their organization's future carefully to avoid having governmental agencies move into that recreational field.

Speaks at Dinner Meeting

Speaking at a meeting of area Boys' Club officials at the Country Club of Pittsfield the mayor declared that the trend toward government encroachment into the private agency field has resulted not from a desire of government to broaden its scope, but because of the neglect of private organizations to fill the job for which they were organized.

Opening of the two new junior high schools here this fall will create a problem for the Pittsfield Boys' Club, the mayor said. He noted that Superintendent of Schools Edward J. Russell has posed the question of what use to make of the gymnasium and auditorium that will be located in each school.

Dr. Russell suggested in a recent talk that Pittsfield needs a master plan to make full use of the recreational facilities available in the city.

Referring to the facilities at the new schools, the mayor said, "Someone is going to move in. . . If the government does, it is to the detriment of such organizations as the Boys' Club."

"I urge you to resist with all your might the encroachment by government in the field you now occupy," the mayor declared.

"Talking as a man in government," Mayor Capeless continued, "I am anxious to see government kept out where private agencies can operate."

Government, the mayor said, "is inefficient, almost by nature."

Mayor Capeless also pointed out that the Boys' Club, like other similar organizations, is now faced by a money problem. He pointed out that the day is long gone when such organizations could depend upon individually wealthy persons in meeting their financial needs.

He recalled that he was a youth of 9 and a member of the Pittsfield Boys' Club when it enjoyed its last benefit of the era of concentrated wealth. It was in 1927, he said, when with funds contributed by the late Z. Marshall Crane a large rehabilitation and expansion program was completed at the Melville Street club.

Up to Community

"That kind of wealth is gone. Wealth now is not as concentrated . . . or as free as it was. We now call upon the whole community to do what single individuals did before," the mayor said.

The mayor said that because such organizations as the Boys' Club must now go to the entire community for its funds, rather than to the few, the appeal of the Boys' Club must be to all.

"Each individual must give what he can of money and energy to assure continuation of the Boys' Club," said the mayor.

"Government is moving into a vacuum left by private agencies," the mayor declared.

He illustrated that trend with two local references—the Berkshire Museum and the Pittsfield Public Library. The city, the mayor said, now provides about 95 per cent of the library's operating revenue.

"It is not because we in the Pittsfield government want to dominate the library," he said. "The library has found it necessary to seek out the city government for more and more funds."

Jean Jarvie To Sing In Oberlin Concert

OBERLIN, Ohio—Miss Jean O. Jarvie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James G. Jarvie of 41 Pittsfield Avenue, Pittsfield, Mass., will participate in the annual spring concert by the women's glee club of Oberlin College Sunday evening in Finney Chapel.

Miss Jarvie, a junior in the conservatory of music, is a member of the musical union and the glee club at Oberlin.

The 50-voice chorus will sing five groups of songs, representing the music of Bach, Mendelssohn and Mozart. In the final portion of the program, the combined men's and women's glee clubs will sing Cole Porter's "Night and Day," and songs by Rodgers and Hart, George Gershwin and Rodgers and Hammerstein.

Firemen's Muster To Be July 1-5

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The seventh annual Pittsfield firemen's muster will be held at Wahconah Park July 1 to 5, it was announced today by Francis T. Maxwell, president of the Pittsfield Permanent Firemen's Association.

Lieutenant David J. Cullen is chairman of the committee in charge of arrangements. He will be assisted by Captains Daniel F. McLaughlin and John F. Witherow, Lieutenants William Reddy and John E. McDonough Jr., Private Francis Tobin, and James O'Brien, retired.

Hinsdale Boy Wins Roadeo

5-1-53

Alfred Bourdo Qualifies for State Contest

Alfred Bourdo of Hinsdale won first place in the teen-age driving roadeo held at Wahconah Park Saturday afternoon by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

As winner of the local contest, Bourdo, a Pittsfield High School student, will take part in the state competition June 6 in Springfield. The state champion will be given an all-expense-paid trip to Washington for the national contest, Aug. 11-16.

Second place in the Pittsfield contest went to Gordon Bailey of 62 Decker Street, also a Pittsfield High student. A St. Joseph's High pupil, John Waszkelewicz of 42 Linn Street, placed third.

Competitors in the safe driving contest took both written examinations and driving skill tests on a specially prepared course.

Thirteen students took part in the contest.

Jaycees' Teen-Age Roadeo Scheduled Here Saturday

5-6-53

Plans have been completed by the Junior Chamber of Commerce for the teen-age roadeo Saturday afternoon at 2 at Wahconah Park.

The winner of the driving skill event will be eligible to compete in the state contest June 6 in Springfield. The Massachusetts champion will be given an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington for the national contest, Aug. 11-16. National prizes will be scholarships in the following amounts: First, $1250; second, $750; third, $500; fourth, $350; fifth, $250. The prizes are being donated by the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company.

The local contest is open to all teen-agers who have not reached their 20th birthday on or before the final day of the national contest. A driver's license or a learner's permit is required. No one is eligible who has been found guilty of a motor vehicle violation during a six-month period prior to the local contest.

The competition will be divided into two parts—a written examination on rules of the road and six driving skill tests conducted on a specially prepared driving course. Judges for the contest will be Ernest Cutler, safety engineer for Liberty Mutual; Eugene E. Donnelly, executive secretary of the Automobile Club of Berkshire County; Frederick W. Tanner, chairman of the traffic committee of the Auto Club; Anthony Caparella of the Caparella Driving School, and members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Persons interested in entering the contest may do so by contacting Miss Alice V. Coffey, supervisor of health and safety education for the Pittsfield School Department.

Square Dance Postponed

4-13-53

The square dance instruction for young adults, scheduled for tonight has been postponed until Monday, April 27, at 8 PM at the YMCA.

5-4-53

Square Dancers Set June 26 for Annual Festival

Progress of plans for the second annual square and folk dance festival June 26 at Wahconah Park were announced to 32 members of the Berkshire County Square Dance Association at its May meeting Tuesday evening at Lenox Community Center.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Agar were appointed to head arrangements for the buffet supper before the dance for guest callers and their wives, and members. Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Weston are in charge of housing out-of-town guests.

The club voted to give a square and folk dance party July 29 or 30 at Dalton Community House in co-operation with the 4-H Leaders' Association in honor of the visit of the North Carolina 4-H Youth Exchange. The party was requested by Robert Hall, 4-H Club county leader.

An instruction period followed the meeting, led by Mr. and Mrs. Don M. West, Mrs. Sol Minnici, Richard Moeller, James C. Willis, and Mr. Agar. Contra, square and folk dances were taught.

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Park Commission Grants Aces Use of Wahconah for Games

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Season Opens Against Albany Elks May 10—Dates Also Arranged for Boxing Bouts and Automobile Show

The Park Commission last night granted the Buick Tyler Aces baseball team the use of Wahconah Park three times a week for games this summer—Tuesday and Friday evenings and Sunday afternoon.

The team will have use of the facilities at the scheduled times from May 10 through June 28, but the commission made provision that later dates could be arranged.

Joe Borletto, manager of the Aces, said the first game will be a booster event, sponsored by Stanley's Grill, against the Albany, (N.Y.) Elks. He said the team is trying to raise money to schedule games throughout the season. He estimated it will cost approximately $120 to hold each night game, and $90 to conduct a contest Sunday afternoon.

Boxing Dates Set

The commission also granted fight promoter Joe DeMaria of Springfield use of the park for boxing shows Tuesday night, June 23, and Tuesday night, Aug. 18. DeMaria said he is also planning to schedule a series of wrestling matches in Pittsfield this summer, but explained the dates were not yet definite. So the commission said that later dates could be arranged.

Other business at the meeting in City Hall Annex included a permit for the Junior Chamber of Commerce to sponsor a "road-e-o," an automobile driving exhibition, at the Wahconah parking lot on Saturday, May 9.

Hebert at Meeting

The commission also granted approval for Park Superintendent J. Vincent J. Hebert to attend a two-day recreation executives' institute today and tomorrow at Springfield College.

Mr. Hebert announced that applications for summer jobs at the city's playgrounds and waterfronts are now available at Park Department office, 52 School Street. The commission will interview applicants Tuesday, March 31, and Tuesday, April 7. Mr. Hebert said all applicants will be notified of the time of their interviews.

Bill Root Marks 75th Birthday, 61st Year in Printing Business

5-5-53

Today is a big one in a big year for William C. (Bill) Root. He is 75 years old today.

But Bill has never been a man to do things by ones. The year also holds two other important anniversaries for the president of the Eagle Printing & Binding Company.

It marks his 61st year in the printing business, and on Nov. 25 he and his wife will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

It's been a busy life for Bill, and he has no plans for slowing down now. He intends to add a good many years to his record of never missing a Rotary Club meeting for 30½ years.

He's rather apologetic over the fact that his Rotary attendance record would be better if it hadn't been for an attack of appendicitis that hospitalized him shortly after he joined the organization.

A serious bout with pneumonia later threatened to break his record, but Bill talked his doctor into accompanying him to the meeting.

Shapiro

William C. Root

Richmond Native

Born in Richmond, Mr. Root came to Pittsfield at the age of seven and started to work for The Eagle in 1892 when he was 14. That was the year The Eagle became a daily paper.

One of his favorite stories of the early Eagle days concerns his first raise. After he had been with The Eagle about 10 weeks, the late Kelton B. Miller, Eagle publisher, decided to boost Bill from $3 to $4 a week.

"But in order to record the transaction in the books he had to know my name. Up to that time, my weekly pay envelope was tagged 'Boy,'" Mr. Root recalls.

In 1904, when The Eagle was divorced from the Eagle Printing & Binding Company, Mr. Root went along with the latter. In 1915, he bought the firm from K. B. Miller. The E. P. & B. headquarters remained on the upper floors of The Eagle building until 1948, when it moved to its present new headquarters on Pearl Street.

Set Type for Own Wedding

Although it has been a number of years since Mr. Root has been engaged in the mechanical end of the printing business, he feels certain he would have no trouble in taking up the compositor's stick again to set type for wedding announcements as he did for his own almost 50 years ago when he married Elizabeth Peacock at her home in Montreal.

That wedding, Mr. Root reminisced, took place at St. Stephen's Church in Montreal. In Pittsfield, Mr. Root has long been one of the leaders in St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. He has been on the church vestry for several terms and also has served as junior and senior wardens.

Because Mr. Root has been such a faithful member of Rotary, that does not mean he has not been active in other organizations.

He is a member of all the Masonic bodies both in the York and Scottish rites, and has been a member of Mystic Lodge more than 41 years.

For 40 years he has been a member of the Royal Arcanum and from 1939 to 1941 was supreme regent of the order covering the United States and Canada. In that post Bill toured all of the 48 states and every province in Canada.

Served Many Organizations

Bill also has served a three-year hitch as a member of the Park Commission, was president of the Chamber of Commerce from 1934 to 1935 and has been active in a host of other organizations. Those include the Salvation Army, AAA, Hillcrest Hospital board, Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club, Advertising Club and many others.

Mr. Root is interested in sports of all kinds, but has a special love for football. For the past 20 years he has faithfully attended four or five Yale football games each year.

Back around the turn of the century Bill was one of this area's best bicyclists and as far as he knows still holds the record for biking between Pittsfield and Great Barrington—one hour and three minutes. He also was a leading amateur boxer in that area.

Two of Mr. Root's sons, J. Gollan P. and W. A. Irvin Root are associated with him in the printing and binding firm. Another son, G. Reynolds, is in the contracting business. A fourth son, Frederick C., died in 1937 at the age of 27. Mr. and Mrs. Root have five grandchildren.

Much of Mr. Root's philosophy of life and his explanation for his success can be found in a sign over his office desk. "2 Stay Is 2 Win," the sign reads.

He got the slogan in his early Eagle days from the late H. C. Oatman while they were talking about a lucrative offer Bill had from a Holyoke firm.

Bill figures he hasn't lost.

Dance Festival To Be June 26

4-27-53

Master of Ceremonies Lawrence Loy Named For 2d Annual Event

Lawrence V. Loy of the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, will be master of ceremonies for the second annual square and folk dance festival from 8 to 11.30 Friday evening, June 26, at Wahconah Park. The event will be sponsored by the Berkshire County Square Dance Association and the Pittsfield Park Department.

The directors and committee chairmen of the association recently held a meeting at the Park Department office to discuss plans.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Eck were appointed hospitality chairmen in charge of housing the callers and guests, and also a buffet supper to be served before the dance.

Mrs. Salvatore Minneci, chairman, assisted by Mrs. H. E. Hughes of Lenox, will have charge of mass demonstration of a square dance by the youth of the county.

Two folk dance groups will be invited to give an exhibition. The greater part of the evening will be spent in square and folk dancing for all who attend.

It is hoped to have five well-known callers in addition to Mr. Loy.

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Delinquency To Be Discussed By Local Panel

The subject "Who Is Delinquent?" will be discussed tomorrow noon by a panel of local experts at a luncheon meeting of the Pittsfield Community Council at the Women's Club.

The program has been arranged by the recreation and group work division of the council which, together with the family and children's division, has been studying the delinquency problem several months.

On the panel will be Police Chief Thomas H. Calnan, Parks Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert, Juvenile Probation Officer Walter E. Primmer, Mrs. Miriam P. Hart, executive secretary of Riggs Clinic, Rev. Raymond E. Gibson, pastor of South Congregational Church, James J. McNeice, attendance officer for the Pittsfield public schools, and Robert S. Schoonmaker Jr., former director of boys' work for the University Settlement House in Philadelphia.

Rudolph A. Lewis will be the moderator and Theodore Herberg, luncheon chairman, will preside.

Purpose of the discussion is to bring out suggestions as to possible action the council might take to reduce the deliquency problem. A suggestion and question period will follow the panel talks.

Reservations for the luncheon may be made at the council office or the Women's Club before 10 AM tomorrow.

7 County Students On Dean's List At Harvard

5-5-53

Seven Berkshire County students, four of them from Pittsfield, have been placed on the dean's list at Harvard College on the basis of their academic standing at mid-years.

They are John T. Coughlin, 553 North Street; Francis Del. Cunningham Jr., 64 South Mountain Road; Larson M. Powell, 536 Pomeroy Avenue; Stephen S. Rosenfeld, 173 South Mountain Road; John M. Francis Jr. of North Egremont; and David Axelrod and Daniel Deykin, both of Great Barrington.

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"Who Is Delinquent?"

Local Experts Fail To Agree

The question "Who Is Delinquent?" received as many different answers as there were speakers on the panel at the Community Council's luncheon meeting yesterday at the Women's Club.

Most of the local experts agreed, that delinquent children are frequently the result of inadequate or improper parental guidance or supervision.

They all agreed that the answer to the question as to how to handle the juvenile delinquency problem is one that has not been fully answered yet.

100 Attend Meeting

About 100 persons attended the meeting to hear leaders in the field give their views on the delinquency problem and suggestions as to how to help remedy the situation.

Walter E. Primmer, juvenile probation officer for the county, suggested that social agencies working on juvenile or family problems could increase their efficiency by consolidating their headquarters in one building. He said one of the soon to be vacated Pittsfield schools would be a possible site.

Both Police Chief Thomas H. Calnan and Attendance Officer James J. McNeice placed the delinquency problem squarely on the parents' shoulders.

Clergyman Disagrees

"Until we have better parents we will not prevent delinquency," said Mr. McNeice.

Rev. Raymond E. Gibson of the South Congregational Church expressed the opinion that blaming the entire problem on parents is the easy way out. He said the fault goes beyond the home to conditions that have helped destroy the home as the cohesive unit it once was.

He credited the creation of so many organizations designed to provide the youth and parents of today with so many outlets for their energies and leisure time with helping loosen the bonds that formerly tied a family together as a unit.

Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert quoted from an Egyptian writer in 400 BC to show that the delinquency problem is not a recent one.

A partial answer to the present-day problem, Mr. Hebert said, lies in closer co-operation among the church, home, school and community recreation organizations.

A similar approach to the problem was advocated by Robert S. Schoonmaker Jr., former director of boys' work for the University Settlement House in Philadelphia.

No One Cause

"There is no one cause of delinquency," Mr. Schoonmaker said.

"The home is the most important factor," he continued. "The church cannot be expected to do everything the home fails to do, and social service agencies can't cope with the entire situation.

"It is a team problem," he said, "but the parent must take the initiative."

Merrill F. Krughoff, director of health and planning for the national Community Chests and Councils, was one of the guests introduced at the luncheon meeting.

Jackson Perry Has His Share of Headaches In Running Leominster Recreational Center

Jack Cook, author of the following article about Jackson J. Perry, former parks and recreation superintendent in Pittsfield, is on the reportorial staff of the Worcester Telegram. Before going to Worcester he was Dalton-Hinsdale correspondent for The Eagle. 5-13-53

By JACK COOK

LEOMINSTER — Berkshire friends of Jackson J. Perry won't be surprised to learn that he is making his presence felt very forcefully in the leisure-time life of the city of 25,000.

The former Pittsfield parks superintendent came here in August, 1950, to head the Leominster Recreation Center, and he's kept things humming ever since.

When he arrived, the center—a large brick building that used to be a theatre — was still a long ways from completion.

None of the wall paneling had been installed, and the swimming pool had barely been started. When the winter sports committee—one of many Perry innovations — met late in the fall, there still was no heat, making it colder than "a day of skiing on Jiminy."

5600 Members

The story is a little different now. With 5600 members and more joining every week, this is what was happening in the center at one time on a recent typical evening.

In the gym, a rehearsal for the high school senior play was taking place. In another room, a rehearsal for "Youth Talent Night," part of a three-day youth program, was going on. In a medium-sized room on the second floor, a meeting of the directors of the Little Bigger League was being held. Another small room contained a USO meeting.

Down in the expansive lobby, about 60 teen-agers were waiting to go to the weekly dance. And there were more teen-agers in the game room at the left of the lobby, in the lounge at the right and in the snack bar just behind it.

At the pool, down under the gym, a group of ladies were receiving swimming instructions. Later on another group of women would take over, for it happened to be the night for ladies' recreational swimming.

No Age Limits

"There are no age restrictions here," Mr. Perry explained. "We've got activities for four-year-olds on up through 90-year-olds.

A couple of the most immediate things ahead, he said, are the formation of more teen-age clubs and more gym activities for those of grade school age.

"After you've been at a place for a while, you begin to find out what the needs are," he said.

One thing he's plainly proud of is the formation of a Golden Age Club. It's a vigorous club with more than 200 members, who meet every Monday afternoon at the center, rain or shine.

Mr. Perry was recently elected to the Advisory Committee for New England to the National Recreation Association. Composed of 14 members, it is a private group of recreation experts, and is financed by donations from persons interested in furthering recreation set ups throughout the country.

Jackson J. Perry

Heads Little League

So, added to all his other round-the-clock duties, he travels to other towns throughout the area to encourage more good community recreation.

He is president of the Little Baseball League here. Although not an official center activity, the center tries to encourage any activity that wants to get going.

Mr. Perry said he decided to take on the job here for two reasons.

"In the first place, I figured this would be a real challenge in a community with little recreation.

"And in the second place, it's my first attempt at two things—working out a program that's centered in a building, and working for a private agency. I wanted to know what it would be like."

Fiscal Headaches

The center officially opened in December, 1950, although many activities had started before then under Mr. Perry's guiding hand.

Mr. Perry's biggest problems are financial. Unlike Pittsfield, the Recreation Center here is almost completely supported by the Community Chest.

"Under a city-financed program, you have to argue pretty hard for your budget, but once that's passed, you know how much you have to work with.

"Here, you can easily set the budget, but if the Chest drive doesn't go over—as it hasn't in the past few years—you just don't have the money."

The idea for the center here originated back in 1943. A group of four men, all local plant owners who felt that more in the way of recreation was needed in the city, got together and contributed $25,000. Additional funds were raised by public subscriptions.

1700 Contributors

In all, about $500,000 was raised, and about $300,000 of it came from local industry, with the balance from about 1700 individuals.

Membership requirements in the center are unique. A person who contributes ½ of 1 per cent of his income to the Community Chest automatically brings himself and his entire family full membership privileges. The Center gets about 46 per cent of the total amount raised by the Chest.

In addition to Community Chest contributions, there are straight rates for membership, which also vary according to income. There are also about 60 free memberships, given to needy cases.

"But despite all the headaches, it's worth it," Mr. Perry said. "It's a tremendous undertaking for a community of this size to do anything like this entirely on a private basis, without any city help."

There are other problems too. Switching to a lighter vein, Mr. Perr ysaid, "You know, one of the things we miss here is the snow. We had our winter carnival, including a ski meet, all set up, but no snow. I'll bet they had tons of it out in Pittsfield. I even heard they sent some of it down to Cuba."

Water Safety Review Course Scheduled June 1-5

A five-day review course for Red Cross water safety instructors will be given at the Boys' Club pool June 1 through 5 by George Guyette, field representative for the national Red Cross, it was announced today by Arthur C. Treece, chairman of safety services for the county chapter.

There will be no charge f[or] 15-hour course. It will r[un] 7 to 10 each night. A fe[e] cents per session will be ch[ar]ged by the club for the use of the pool and its facilities.

Persons interested in taking the refresher course may sign up by calling the Red Cross chapter house on Wendell Avenue.

Patricia Drennan Gets Class Office

Miss Patricia A. Drennan, daughter of Mrs. James C. Drennan of 15 Laflin Terrace, recently was elected treasurer of the incoming junior class at Trinity College, Washington, D.C. She also is secretary-treasurer of the debating club and has been on the dean's list each semester.

Bee Blamed For Accident to Truck Driver

9-4-53

A disturbing bee started a chain of events today that landed Philip Nicola of 246 Newell Street in Pittsfield General Hospital.

Nicola, a 35-year-old driver for the Park Department, was heading his one-ton pickup truck up the road to Springside Park early this morning when a buzzing bee landed on his chest.

He tried to brush the annoying insect off, but it landed on his trousers. Nicola, concerned with getting rid of the bee, failed to keep his eye ahead, and the truck rammed into a roadside tree.

The steering wheel hit the driver in the chest. The front end of the truck was damaged. Nicola is now at the hospital where X rays have been taken to determine the extent of his injuries.

Plunkett Teachers Get Parking Space, But Only Temporarily

9/18/53

The Parks and Recreation Department has come to the rescue—temporarily—of Plunkett School teachers who can't find a place to park. The School Committee has handed down a general rule of no parking in the school yard where teachers have been accustomed to park their cars.

Cars are being parked on the west boundary of the Common, facing First Street. Vincent J. Hebert, park director, says the arrangement can only be temporary because the department will have to start making preparations soon for the winter program on the Common.

FUTURE TRAVEL was depicted in the Halloween parade Saturday night by this 60-foot General Electric space ship. The rocket, complete with atomic guns that fired popcorn balls and fiery jets, is seen here moving up North Street as part of a crowd of 50,000 watches.

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50,000 Cheer Halloween Festival Here

GE Parade Entries Take Spotlight at City's Celebration

By JOHN VANDER VOORT

Pittsfield returned to normal today after a realistic visit to the land of fantasy Saturday night.

The occasion was the ninth annual Park Department-Berkshire Eagle Halloween festival, and the two-hour show was by far the most spectacular ever seen here.

A record crowd fixed by police at 50,000, pressed into Park Square and along North Street for a glimpse at the passing parade of out-of-this-world creations. There were as many adults as children in the audience, and the thrills were shared by all.

GE Goes All Out

Hazel, the Witch, and space ship PT75, General Electric's imaginative devices, were the show-stoppers. It was, indeed, quite a sight to watch these gigantic floats move slowly and impressively through the city.

For the youngsters, it was a never-to-be-forgotten performance. The rocket, constructed by GE's power transformer department, was mounted on a trailer truck and equipped with blinking lights, atomic guns that fired popcorn balls, and a sparkling afterburner.

Hazel, for all her grotesque appearance, was a friendly creature that poked fun at children as she passed and parachuted candy kisses into the throng. She cackled and screeched and blinked her eyes in horrible fashion as she weaved through town on a broomstick.

These floats were at least as spectacular as Pitt the Dragon, the 150-foot monster that stunned the crowd a year ago. People hung from office windows and stood on roof tops for a look at them. They weren't disappointed.

Thousands Get Close-Up

After the parade, Hazel and the space ship were parked at Wahconah Park where thousands crowded around for a closer look at a couple of engineering masterpices.

GE went all out for this parade with four floats. The other two were good, but nothing could compare to PT75 and Hazel. Mississippi Showboat, a lightning arrester, cutout and screw machine departmental project, was a sharp contrast to Hazel, but, in its old-fashioned elegance, lacked nothing in splendor. A Halloween scene produced by the chemical department, showed three witches huddled around a bubbling caldron of spooky brew.

All four floats were moved down to the plant yesterday where they will stand for inspection. The company plans to save them for next year's show and some improvements have already been developed.

Perhaps more remarkable than the floats was the size of the crowd which surpassed all expectations and was a good 20,000 larger than 1952. People from as distant as

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PUMPKIN WINNERS smile happily after the results of the youngsters' Halloween contest were announced Saturday night. They are, left to right: Barbara Daigle, youngest; John Rowland, funniest; Colin Garstang, largest; Peter Roland, general excellence; Jocelyn Canning, original; Heather Wallace, spookiest.

St. Charles' Pupil

11/3/53

Mary Gleason, one of the winners in the jack-o'-lantern contest Saturday in the annual Halloween parade competition, was listed yesterday as a student of Plunkett School. She attends St. Charles' School.

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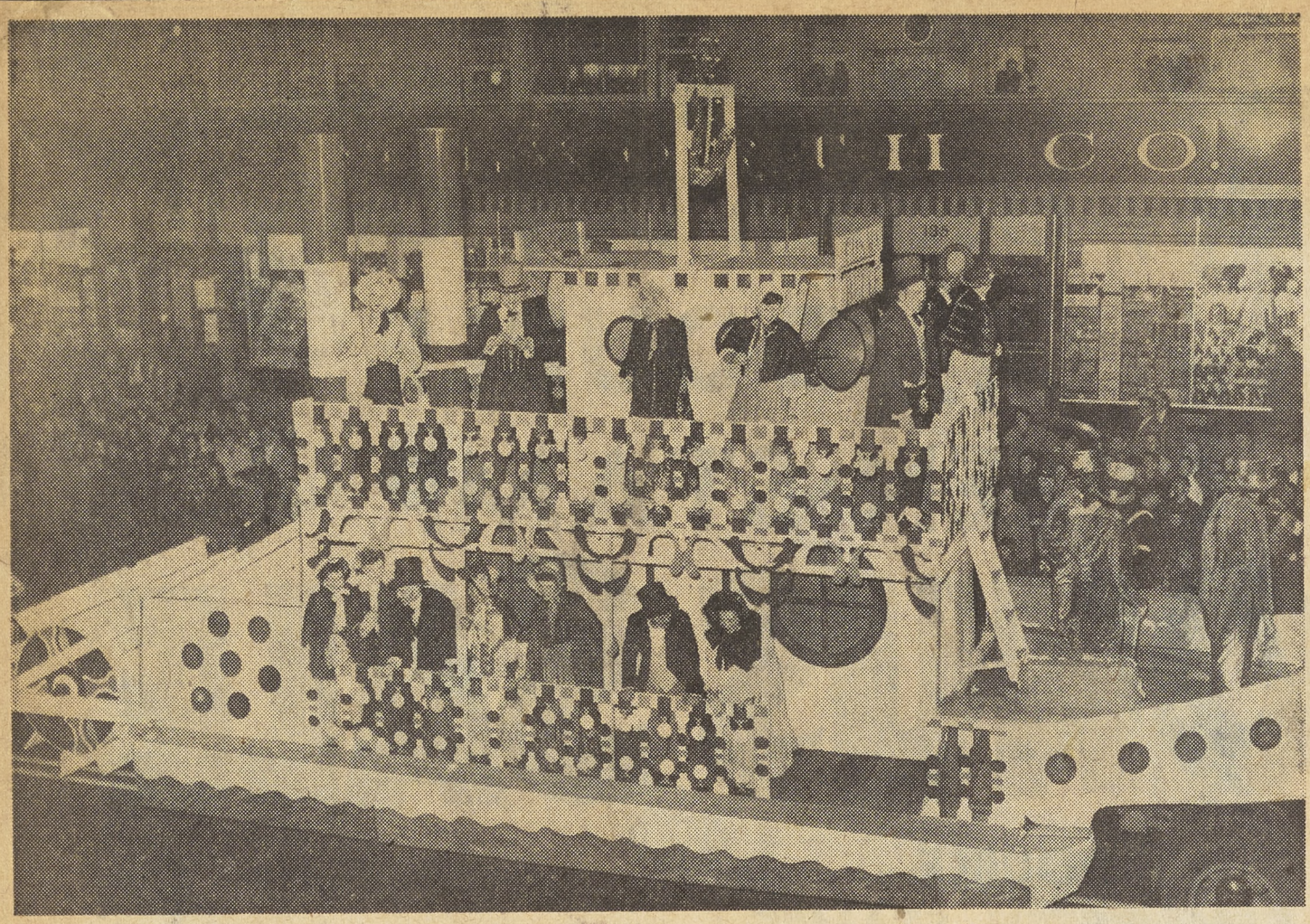

MISSISSIPPI SHOWBOAT float, one of four General Electric creations in Saturday night's Halloween parade, attracted plenty of attention with its singing minstrels and costumed belles. Forty feet long, it was constructed by members of the lightning arrester, cutout and screw machine departments.

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Holyoke, Springfield and Northampton came over to watch.

No Casualties

Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert said it was the most successful celebration ever held, and Police Chief Thomas Calnan congratulated his force and 45 Civilian Defence officers for the job of handling the clogged downtown area. There were no casualties and only one little boy was temporarily lost from his parents.

The musical starring role was held by the 56-piece University of Massachusetts band that marched in the parade and played later at Wahconah Park. The university's 48-member girls' drill team played a big part, too, with a 10-minute precision drill.

Individual costumes established a new high in ingenuity and originality. Youngsters of all ages were attired in the widest possible assortment of Halloween dress. There were the usual ghosts, devils and pumpkins, along with space ships, flying saucers an dhelicopters.

PHS Band Is Winner

Tin pan bands tinkled merrily, and school groups sang lustily. All the floats were good, but the best in the show was Crane School's crescent moon and cat. Abby Lodge's haunted house was judged second and Morewood's Wee Willie Winkle, third.

Pittsfield High was judged to have the top band in the parade, while those from South Junior High and the Eagles were second and third respectively. Four hundred dollars was contributed toward the musical entertainment by the Musicians' Performance Trust Fund.

Pilblad Scores Again

An estimated 1,200 children crowded into the Wahconah Park bleachers to watch the drill team and eat popcorn.

Gus Pilblad, genial Halloween parade chairman, lived up to his reputation with another original costume. This time it was a Hindu outfit with turban and baggy pants. Head Marshal J. Bruce McIntyre was voted the state's "best dressed sheriff" in his full-dress suit, top hat and walking stick.

Sheriff McIntyre, incidentally, turned out to be Mr. Jack O'Lantern, the man with the mystery voice. And it was Mary Gleason of 42 Abbott St., a fifth-grader at Plunkett School, who first guessed his identity. She won the $15 merchandise prize. Out of 158 youngsters in the contest, 63 came up with the correct answer.

The entire show took about two hours, including the Wahconah Park program. Lateri n the evening there were dances at the Boys' and Girls' Clubs and the Masonic Hall.

Halloween Parade Was Four-Shudder Wonder

11/2/53

It's hard to know where to begin when it comes to handing out orchids for Saturday night's Halloween parade, which was perhaps the biggest, probably the noisiest, and certainly the scariest, show to hit Pittsfield in many a year. The Park Department reaffirmed its reputation as a producer of Grade A extravaganzas; Gus Pilblad and his 150-odd volunteer workers did their usual bang-up job on arrangements; and the Police Department performed its unglamorous but vital role remarkably efficiently, handling without untoward incident a crowd that seemed at least 10 times larger than the official estimate of 50,000.

But the lion's share of the spotlight must once again go to GE and its employes for producing in Witch Hazel and the space ship two of the most diabolically horrendous contraptions that ever goggled a youngster's eyes. It will probably be many days before Pittsfield's small fry—or their parents, for that matter—finish arguing about which of the GE floats was the best, and whether they excelled the hideous dragon of 1952. Our own opinion is that they did, and that this year's parade set a standard that succeeding productions will be very hard put to match.

In Brief . . .

Judging by the crowds that poured into the city from all over the county and beyond, the GE's spectacular contributions to the city's Halloween parade can be credited with helping the vandalism problem in a far greater area than anyone ever dreamed . . . The fact that the activities shifted to the night before have been limited pretty much to the "trick or treat" variety is also reassuring to the pessimists . . .

Halloween Parade Comment

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

What a wonderful parade it was! Outstanding in every aspect. The Showboat, Space Ship and Hazel were superb.

When I was a little boy I spent hours every year when Halloween came around, trying to figure some way that I could run a cardboard witch with pulleys on a wire stretched tightly between two trees on my front lawn. It never materialized. But there was my witch at last—Hazel in all her glory—a super witch in comparison with my fantasy, but my witch just the same.

My hat goes off in tribute to all the men and women who contributed so many hours of work to make these floats and the entire parade possible. What will they think of next year? I can't wait!

THURLOW H. PELTON.
Pittsfield.

Small Potatoes

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

Pittsfield should be congratulated for its splendid Halloween parade. I am sure the many floats and bands were enjoyed by all.

I think the University of Massachusetts band and drill team will be remembered in Pittsfield for its part in the parade. They will also remember Pittsfield, but not for its hospitality.

After playing at their own football game, they boarded buses to come to Pittsfield. They arrived here tired and hungry. They had a meal at the American Legion home, consisting of beans and frankfurts, ice cream and coffee. They were charged 75 cents per person for this. If a city of 55,000 people cannot raise about $75 to give these folks a meal, I couldn't blame them if they never came here again. After all, they did travel over 70 miles to get here!

If Pittsfield doesn't get on the ball soon, Pittsfield activities will soon join the ranks of the lost and forgotten.

JOHN K. ERNST.
27 Ridgway Ave.,
Pittsfield.

Popcorn Balls for All

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

It is impossible to put in one letter all the necessary thanks to the thousands who have helped to assure the success of the Halloween parade. But Pittsfield can be justly proud of its many fine civic organizations, the Police Department, the Fire Department, the Civilian Defense organization and the terrific job done by the various departments of the General Electric Company and the Parks and Recreation Department.

All of those who contributed their time and energy can feel satisfied that their labors were doubly rewarded. Not only was the parade a huge success, but destructive mischief and vandalism were held to a minimum as a result of our community Halloween celebration.

GUSTAF G. PILBLAD,
Chairman.
Pittsfield.

Halloween

'Bigger, Better' Celebration Planned by Civic Committee

The Park Department's energetic Halloween committee today began the job of staging a celebration next month that will be bigger and better than ever before.

At best, this will be a difficult task because the 1952 citywide observance established an almost unapproachable high in achievement and popularity.

A year ago it was Pitt the Dragon, General Electric's fabulous creation, that stole the show. And, according to Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert, "it will be some time before we are able to duplicate that."

Saturday Night Event

However, the committee met last night to start things rolling for the ninth annual celebration Saturday night, Oct. 31.

There will be a number of departures from the pattern of previous festivals. Of considerable importance is a change in the line of march for the float and costume parade. Instead of winding up on the Common, the show will end at Wahconah Park.

Police and fire department representatives agreed the change was a good one—the route is shorter and more direct, and the Wahconah Park area will offer observers a better chance to see floats and paraders.

Change in Awards

There's also likely to be a switch in the system of awards. One thought was to give prizes to every child in costume. Nothing definite was adopted, however.

Mr. Hebert announced the parade will start at Park Square 15 minutes later than last year, at 7.30. He urged that North Street office tenants keep their establishments lighted to help illuminate the route.

However, as in planning any function of this size, the committee ran into a couple of serious snags.

Musical Problem

The most critical was that the parade may be musicless. Lawrence J. Murphy and George White, representatives of Local 109, American Federation of Musicians, explained that Saturday night was a bad time because many bandsmen will have other commitments. The committee hopes to have three complete musical units in the line of march. This problem was taken under advisement and will be settled at the next meeting, Wednesday night, Oct. 7.

Parking at Wahconah Park Halloween presented another problem. For best results in avoiding congestion and danger to mingling children, the Police Department suggested a strict "no parking" ban for all vehicles except ambulances, public address and float trucks.

Civic agencies represented at the meeting were: Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club, Heart of the Berkshires Grange, VFW; Lanesboro, Egremont, Russell and Crane PTAs, YMCA, American Legion Auxiliary, Camp Fire Girls, Women's Club and the Christian Center.

New Prize System For Halloween To Be Discussed

A new system for awarding prizes to costumed children on Halloween will be considered at the second citywide Halloween committee meeting tonight at the Park Department office. The meeting, from 8 to 9, is open to representatives of all interested groups.

It has been suggested that all children who march in costume be served free refreshments as a reward. In the past, 150 of the 1,200 participants have received merchandise prizes.

At tonight's meeting, Parent-Teacher Association representatives will report as to whether their organizations will serve refreshments to their particular school group, instead of providing marjudges. Other organizations will shals and judges. Other organizations will supply the names and addresses of volunteers who will serve as marshals and judges.

Announcements will be made on bands and floats for the parade and for a short performance to follow at Wahconah Park.

OUT OF THIS WORLD, or to be exact, at the corner of North and Fenn Streets, this collection of nether and cosmic characters came smoking out of a truck shortly after 5 last night. The invasion—courtesy the GE—was a buildup for Saturday night's Halloween parade.

Witch's Cackle On North Street Heralds Halloween

Beware of those eerie sounds you may have heard along North Street, because they're the witch's cackle that will ring throughout the city Halloween.

The noises are coming from an amplifier on top of England Bros'. department store. It's a Park Department scheme to publicize the big show it will present Oct. 31.

General Electric is going to have a couple of spectacular floats in the parade.

The wierd sounds will be heard at various intervals between now and Halloween. Listen to them a minute, and maybe you'll get an idea what these floats will be like.

Halloween Celebration

College Band, Drill Team To Perform Here Oct. 31

The Park Department was assured today of having plenty of musical entertainment for its 1953 citywide Halloween celebration.

A big addition was the announcement by the Halloween committee that the University of Massachusetts band and 48-member girls' drill team would perform at Wahconah Park after the parade Saturday night, Oct. 31. The two groups will come to Pittsfield directly after the Amherst-Massachusetts football game and will be served a supper at cost by the American Legion Auxiliary.

Augmenting the college organization will be two parade bands and, if arrangements can be made, three dance orchestras provided by the local musicians' union.

Change of Route

Wahconah Park will be used for the first time in the annual observance. The parade will move from Park Square up North Street and down Wahconah Street to the park where floats will congregate and prizes will be awarded. Previously, the parade had wound up at the Common.

Another major change this year will be in prize awards. Formerly, there were only 150 awards for the best costumes.

This time every child in costume in the parade will receive a gift. Costume, float and participation awards will be made at Wahconah Park. PTA marshals will march with the various school groups and remain with them at the park until the performance is over.

Halloween Broadcast

The Camp Fire Girls will make Halloween favors for hospitalized youngsters and pupils at the Crippled Childrens' School. A special Halloween broadcast will be conducted by the Junior League.

Pitt the Dragon probably won't roam the streets again, but the General Electric has announced it will enter floats in the parade.

400 Bleacher Seats on Sale For Halloween Parade Viewers

Parade marshals and aides will meet at the Boys' Club at 8:30 tonight to receive assignments and other instructions for what is expected to be the city's biggest Halloween celebration Saturday night. Marshals will march with the children and remain with them afterwards in the stands at Wahconah Park.

The Park Department, co-sponsor with The Berkshire Evening Eagle of this ninth annual event, announced today that 400 tickets for bleacher seats in Park Square are now on sale. The money will be used to defray transportation expenses of the participating University of Massachusetts band and girls' drill team. Tickets may be obtained at the Park Department office, 52 School St., and any that are left will be sold Saturday night at the square.

Meanwhile, the city is buzzing with rumors of witches and rockets. General Electric, the creator last year of monstrous Pitt the Dragon, will have several floats in the parade. One will be a 10-ton space ship, complete with crewmen and spurting rockets. Another entry will be Operation Witch Hazel, a seven-ton babe with scraggly black hair and a cackling voice.

These will be part of the 15-float parade that will move up North Street and down to Wahconah Park where costumed youngsters will receive prizes and candy.

Boys' Club Lists Many Activities For Halloween

A variety of Halloween activities will be held at the Boys' Club Friday and Saturday evenings. Starting at 4 Friday afternoon the regular full length movie program will be shown. It will be repeated at 6:30 in the auditorium while in the gymnasium a dance for boys and girls in the 13, 14 and 15 year age group will be held from 7 until 10:30. The gym will be decorated in Halloween motif.

Saturday night's program will include a "ghost walk" through various parts of the building, stage acts at 5:30, followed by a movie, "Peter Pan," and cartoons. Free candy will be distributed following the movie. Final costume judging will end the show after which the boys will be given a police escort to the Halloween parade. The stage acts will feature a comedy song and dancing routine with Betty Daley and Eddie McGrath as the principals. Mrs. John Myers will be accompanist and Henry W. Zopf, master of ceremonies. Judges for the costumes, which members will be required to wear, will be Willard F. M. Gray and Joseph Szymanski.

Another Halloween dance will be held in the gym from 7 to 10:30 on Saturday evening. The entertainment for both nights was arranged by James J. Mooney, program director.

Chief Burke Gives 'Blast Off!' to GE Contraptions

Fire Chief Thomas F. Burke today inspected the mysterious Halloween creatures under construction at the General Electric Co. for Saturday's parade with a view to fire hazards.

The chief said he was amazed at the size and intricate construction he found, but that no fire dangers could be detected. Several types of pseudo pyrotechnics will be shot off from the creations, he noted.

GE Finally Lifts the Shroud On Halloween Parade Plans

Juvenile delinquency should hit a new low in Pittsfield Saturday night according to GE officials as more than 75,000 spectators are expected to turn out for the Halloween parade.

Four unusual and beautiful floats will be entered by the GE in the parade which starts at 7:30. Although the company concedes that it will be almost impossible to top last year's star of the parade, their 160-foot dragon, Pitt, it plans to have a space ship fly along the parade route.

The 10-ton creation will be in true Buck Rogers style, manned by a stroboscopic-eared space robot with electronic brains, and featuring rocket guns, disintegrators and a powerful jet engine.

She Walks, She Talks

Another GE entry will be the results of Operation Witch Hazel—a seven-ton beauty which walks, talks and terrorizes. A black cat will cling to Hazel's back and three supersonic bats will beat the air to furnish motive power for the witch's broom.

The third float will consist of a Mississippi Showboat with Southern gamblers and their gals cavorting gaily, while the fourth GE entry will be a secret until parade time.

Walter Michel, chairman of the Pittsfield Musicians' trust fund committee, announced that Local 109, Musicians' Union, will provide entertainment to the tune of $400 worth of music—for free.

The Eagles Military Band of 30-pieces and the 20-piece VFW band will vie for the crowd's ear with the Pittsfield High School band and the University of Massachusetts drill team and band.

680 Attend Parties at Girls' Club

A total of 680 attended nine Halloween parties this week at the Girls' Club.

Miss Gloria West and Miss Phyllis Lisi were in charge of programs, which included novelty games, apple ducking, and bowling. A "den of horrors" was planned by members of two high school girls' clubs, the FBA and PAT.

Three costume prizes were awarded each day. Prize winners were Diane Danylin, Ann Mason, Kathleen and Geraldine Pomeroy, and Susan Garnish, first; Alice Blache, Sally Anne Coe, Rosemary Trepacz and Mary Jane Cross, second; and Christine Arigoni, Dorothy and Christine Tucker, Joan Condron and Joanne Goyette, third.

A Halloween hop will be held for junior high school students from 7 to 9.30 tonight at the club, and a free dance for young adults is planned for tomorrow evening after the Halloween parade.

The club will return to its regular schedule of classes Monday.

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PRECISION FORMATION is displayed by members of the University of Massachusetts girls' drill team that will perform tomorrow night in the annual citywide Halloween celebration. The drill team and the university band will march in the parade and put on a show afterwards at Wahconah Park. Tickets for bleacher seats at Park Square are being sold to defray transportation expenses of the units from Amherst to Pittsfield.

Concerning Potatoes

11/5/53

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

For the record, the supper served by the Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion to the University of Massachusetts Band & Drill Team on Halloween was done so at my request.

It was served in the Pittsfield High School cafeteria, not in the Legion Home. It was prepared voluntarily and was offered to the visitors at cost in order to help them out. The Department of Parks and Recreation contracted to pay travel expenses. The dinner was not budgeted for, was planned in good faith and I am sorry it was accepted in such poor taste.

VINCENT J. HEBERT,
Superintendent,
Parks & Recreation Department.
Pittsfield.

Children Advised On Seating Plans At Park Tonight

10/31/53

Children will sit in the bleachers at Wahconah Park according to school groups tonight to watch the University of Massachusetts band and girls' drill team perform and to be awarded Halloween costume prizes. Free candy will be distributed only to those youngsters who are seated. Parade marshals will sit with the groups until after the performance. Only parade participants will be allowed in the bleachers.

Seating assignments follow: Section 1, St. Joseph's High, Pomeroy and Bartlett; Section 2, Boys' Club, Egremont, Stearns, Camp Fire Girls, Pontoosuc, St. Mary's, Redfield and North Junior High; Section 3, Plunkett, Dawes, Girls' Club, St. Joseph's Grammar School, Notre Dame, Allendale and Morewood; Section 4, Briggs, Highland, Tucker, 4-H Club, Mercer, Crane and Abby Lodge; Section 5, Hibbard, Rice, Russell, St. Charles', and South Junior High.

A lost and found station will be located near the scoreboard at the north end of the football field. The program will be over by 9 p.m.

Halloween

Entry Deadline Is Tonight For Mr. Jack O'Lantern Event

Tonight will be the last chance for enterprising Pittsfield youngsters to guess the name of Mr. Jack O'Lantern, the mystery man who has been giving repeated clues to his identity over both local radio stations.

The contest, part of the Park Department-Berkshire Eagle Halloween celebration, closes at midnight, and any answers received thereafter will be invalid. Answers, which have been coming in fast and furiously, are being kept in a witch's hat at the Park Department office where they will be sorted out late tonight.

The winner, the youngster with the earliest correct answer, will receive merchandise prizes valued at $15. Others guessing Mr. Jack O'Lantern's identity will be given tickets to the Capitol Theater. The Kiwanis Club is helping with the contest.

Judges Listed

Judges for various competitions in the parade were announced today. Judging floats will be Miss Margaret Noble, Miss Adelaide Carter and Miss Ann MacDonald. Judging bands will be Mr. and Mrs. Walter Powell and Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Clark. Attendance participation will be judged by Mrs. Jesse Williams and Mrs. Florence Geerholt.

The Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club has made arrangements for 11 cars for shut-ins. These children will watch the parade from in front of the Sears, Roebuck store on North Street.

The second appearance of a group of spacemen and devils near Park Square last night served to increase interest in just what the spectacular General Electric floats are going to be like.

Operation Witch Hazel Ready

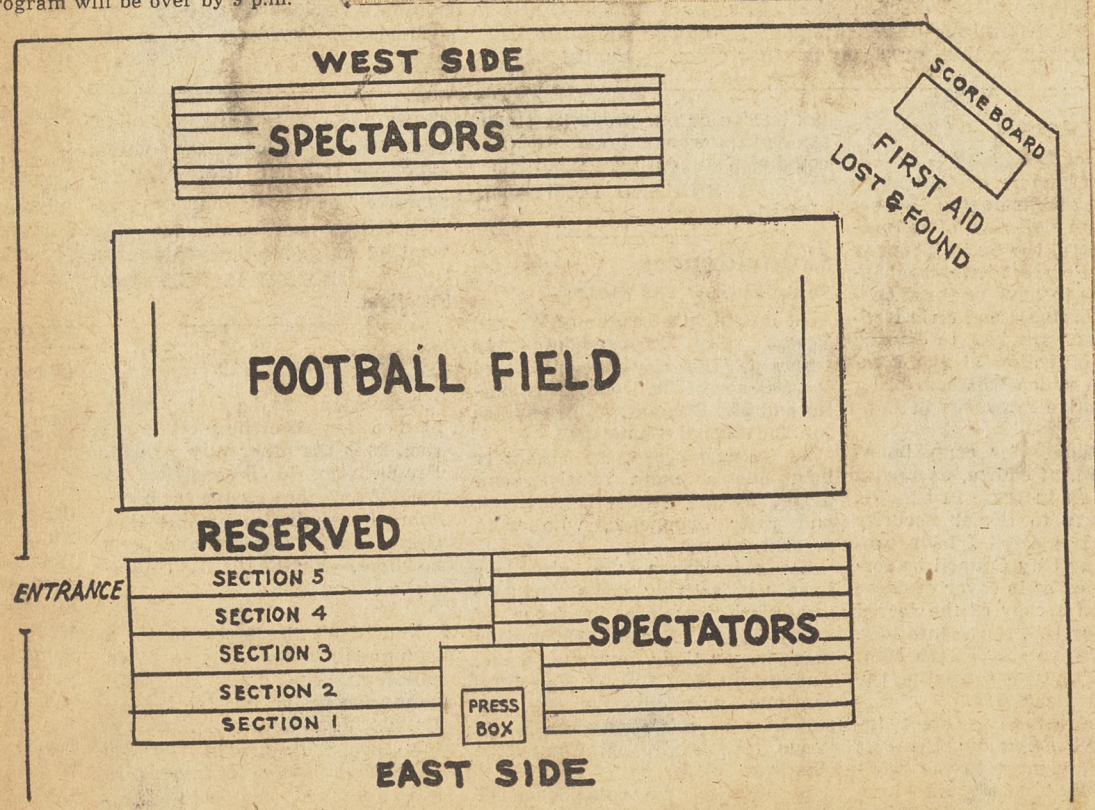
The suspense won't last much longer, for the public will be able to see Operation Witch Hazel at 9 tomorrow morning when the massive float will be parked on East Street near the square. Other GE floats (there are four of them) will make appearances at 3 tomorrow afternoon at the same spot.

It was reported this morning that the sale of 400 Park Square bleacher seat tickets for the Halloween show has been brisk. They may be purchased at the Park Department office, 52 School St., which will be open from 7 to 9 tonight. The office will also stay open from 6:30 to 9 tomorrow evening to disperse general information abut the Halloween program.

The pumpkin contest at Park Square for youngsters eight and under will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3.

First Aid Services Planned for Halloween

First aid services will be provided by the Red Cross for the community-wide Halloween celebration tomorrow. First-aiders will be at Park Square at 3 p.m. for the jack-o'lantern contest, and two first aid wagons will be provided for the parade tomorrow night. One will follow the parade to Wahconah Park and the other will be located at the park. Warren U. Sears, Mrs. William B. Conover and Clarence E. King will be in charge.



SEATING PLAN for tonight's University of Massachusetts band and drill team Halloween performance at Wahconah Park is shown in this drawing of the bleachers. Children must be seated to receive free candy, and only parade participants will be allowed in the seats.

Halloween

GE Employes Going All Out Preparing Floats for Parade

10/30/53

Plans steamed full ahead today for the ninth annual citywide Halloween festival here Saturday night, and from all indications this year's show shapes up as the biggest and best ever.

The Park Department, co-sponsor of the celebration with The Berkshire Evening Eagle, was faced with a tough problem from the beginning. It had to come up with a gimmick to top Pitt the Dragon, General Electric's monstrous creation that stole the show a year ago.

So GE offered a hand again, and this time constructed several colorful floats that are guaranteed to hold the attention of all members of the audience. No details could be obtained about them because the GE men don't want to let its cat out of the bag, but it was learned there will be four mechanical masterpieces depicting the Halloween spirit.

3000 Hours of Work

These floats are so enormous that they have to be moved on giant trailer tractors. They'll fill the streets. G. E. employees from four departments have put in more than 3000 hours building them.

Several publicity stunts have been scheduled before Saturday night to give the public some idea of what is in store.

Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert said today there will be at least 15 floats in the parade. GE's creations won't compete for prizes.

More than 1,000 people are expected to march in the parade which is due to move out of Park Square at 7:30. Units will form at 7. The show will move up North Street, down Wahconah Street to Wahconah Park where all children will receive candy and costume prizes will be awarded.

Musically, the 1953 celebration will be better than ever before. Featured for the first time in the parade and in a special performance at Wahconah Park will be the University of Massachusetts band and girls' drill team. Bands from the Eagles, VFW and Pittsfield High School will also march.

Mystery Voice Contest

Each year several contests are conducted in conjunction with the parade. There will be the Mr. Jack O'Lantern mystery voice contest and the youngster guessing his identity wins a special prize.

Mr. Jack O'Lantern will give clues to his identity over both local radio stations at different times this week. He will be heard every day at 8:18 a.m., 3:45 p.m. and 5 p.m. on WBEC, and at 7:10 a.m., 12:50 p.m., 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. on WBRK.

There will also be a pumpkin contest for children eight and under. It will be held at Park Square Saturday afternoon at 3. Only 19 youngsters participated last year, and it is hoped this part of the program will receive greater support.

Finally, there will be a store window guessing contest. Information can be obtained at Pittsfield stores.

Then there will be numerous parties and dances. There will be a party Saturday afternoon at 5 at the Boys' Club, and another Saturday night at 9 at the Girls' Club. Dances at the Boys' Club for junior high students, at the Masonic Hall for senior high students and at the Girls' Club for young adults will be held Saturday night.

Sheriff J. Bruce McIntyre will serve as grand marshal for the parade, and Gustaf Pilblad is chairman of the Halloween committee. Henry Hutchings and Richard Shipton are the assistant marshals.

Hazel the Witch Makes Debut As City Girds for Halloween

10/31/53

Hazel the Witch, one of four General Electric floats to appear in the annual Halloween parade tonight at 7:30, made her public debut this morning, and if size, noise and dress mean anything, she should put on quite a show.

Hazel isn't as big as Pitt the Dragon, last year's show-stealer, but she's just as grotesque. She cackles, screams and cries, and moves about in such a way that everyone cringes in fear.

Mounted on a 40-foot trailer truck, Hazel moved slowly into Park Square today where she will rest before marching in the parade this evening. She's a picture of horror with bloodshot eyes, a crooked nose and stringy, blond hair. She wheezes, coughs and screeches and tells all the little children that tonight is Halloween.

Blackie the Cat Ready, Too

On her back crouches Blackie the Cat, a ferocious-looking beast with lashing tail and pointed ears. Hazel rides her broom along with three big bats who flap their wings and blink their eyes. White steam spurts from jets adding to the spooky effect.

Hazel is out of this world, and the GE masterminds who created her deserve a round of applause. If you want to see for yourself, she's up at the square now, but don't get too close—she may bite.

It seemed, after the 1952 parade, that nothing could top the dragon. But there are four floats this time. The other three are scheduled to make an appearance later this afternoon. There will be a rocket ship, a Mississippi showboat and a Halloween scene.

It has been estimated that a crowd of over 30,000 will turn out to watch tonight's proceedings when goblins, witches, devils and other out-of-this-world denizens ride through the streets.

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Firemen Get OK on Use of Park

5-28-53

Annual Event Scheduled for July 1 to 5

The Park Commission at a special meeting in City Hall Annex last night granted use of the Wahconah Park parking lot to the firemen's muster committee from July 1 through July 5.

Simultaneously, the firemen were given concession rights and use of the park itself on Independence Day. The firemen were further allowed to sell beer in the parking lot in accordance with restrictions established by the Park and Licensing Boards.

These restrictions stipulate that no alcoholic beverages may be sold in the park proper, that it must be served in paper cups, and that it may not be sold when the park gates are open.

The commission also made it necessary for other organizations that want use of the baseball diamond in the park during the muster period to secure approval from the firemen's committee.

Attending the meeting were Park Commissioners William J. Carrigan, George P. Clayson and Daniel R. Lee, superintendent Vincent J. Hebert and Lt. David J. Cullen of the Fire Department.

Mayor Moves For Transfer Of Park

4-10-53

Balance Rock Would Be Taken Over by State

Preliminary steps toward making city-owned Balance Rock Park part of the Pittsfield State Forest were taken by Mayor Capeless today.

He submitted to the City Council an order authorizing him to petition the Legislature to turn the park over to the state Department of Conservation.

Although the 140-acre park is in the town of Lanesboro, it has been owned and maintained by Pittsfield since 1916, when it was purchased by public subscription and presented to the city.

The Department of Conservation agreed two years ago to accept the park if the city would initiate the necessary legislation. No city or town may dispense with park lands unless authorized by a special act of the Legislature.

Since 1946, when the Park Department was refused an $1847 appropriation for cleaning up Balance Rock Park, the city has made no appreciable effort to maintain the area. The woodland has been freely littered by picnickers, and the rock itself has been defaced by vandals with paint pots.

$2550 Offered As Low Bid for League Fences

5-5-53

A Springfield firm offered the Park Department the lowest of seven bids yesterday to construct fencing around three Little League fields.

Guthrie Fence Company submitted a bid of $2550. Other bids were made by the Anchor Fence Company for $2850, the Atlas Fence Company for $2616, the Hampden Fence Company for $2775, the Independent Fence Company for $2880, and the Raschi Fence Company for $3112.

The contract will be awarded at the next meeting of the Park Commission.

Pontoosuc Lake Rides To Open Saturday

5-14-53

Gillette Brothers who have the amusement concession at Pontoosuc Lake Park announced today that the various rides would open for the summer season Saturday afternoon at 1. They include the merry-go-round, kiddie buggy ride, and kiddie boats.

The Gillettes also operate the children's train at Burbank Park, Onota Lake, but no date has been set for the opening of this ride. A road is being built there, and there is some question whether the train will operate this summer.

Dinner Planned For Buick Aces

5-6-53

Leo Kruczkowski, proprietor of Stanley's Grill, will entertain the members of the Buick Tyler Aces' baseball team at his place tomorrow night at 6.30. Mr. Kruczkowski also is assisting the Aces with arrangements for their semipro season opener with the Albany (N.Y.) Elks at Wahconah Park Sunday afternoon at 2.30.

Guests at the dinner will include Msgr. Eugene F. Marshall, D.D., Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of recreation for the Parks and Recreation Department, all members of the Park Commission, John Lyons of WBEC, Dan Healy and Joe Sammon, both of WBRK, and Roger O'Gara of The Eagle.

Archie K. Sloper Honored by Insurance Agents

Archie K. Sloper

Archie K. Sloper, veteran insurance man and public official, was given an honorary lifetime membership in the Berkshire County Association of Insurance Agents at a dinner meeting of the association in the ballroom of the Hotel Sheraton last night. About 150 attended.

The award preceded a talk by Edmund S. Cogswell of Wenham, who was appointed state commissioner of insurance last month by Governor Herter.

Mr. Sloper was honored for completion of 50 years in the insurance business. Edward B. Karam, president of the agents' association, described him as Berkshire County's oldest living insurance agent who is still active in the business.

Served City and State

His agency, C. W. Sloper & Son, was started by his father and is one of the oldest in this area. In addition to selling insurance and real estate, Mr. Sloper's long public career included service as a Pittsfield alderman, park commissioner and public works commissioner, a Mount Greylock commissioner, and head of the state Department of Conservation.

Commissioner Cogswell's talk was brief and dealt mostly with the organization of the state Insurance Department. He urged agents to make their views on insurance policies known to the department, and he singled out Senator Silvio O. Conte as a "hard-working and very able" legislator in the insurance field.

"Massachusetts is very fortunate in having Mr. Conte as a senator from this district and as chairman of the Insurance Committee of the Legislature," he declared.

A career man in the state service, Mr. Cogswell succeeded Dennis E. Sullivan as commissioner after serving 21 years as the department's first deputy.

Park Too Soft for Softball; Benefit Game Request Denied

5-12-53

The Park Commission last night turned down a request by Warren (Bobo) Bouchane of Pittsfield for use of Wahconah Park for a softball double-header which would benefit the Lenox High School baseball team.

The request was declined on the grounds that if a softball diamond were laid out on the field now it would spoil the regular baseball diamond because the park is still too wet.

At Least Two Weeks

Park Department Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert and maintenance supervisor William J. Fitzgerald told the commission that it would be at least two weeks before the park was ready for softball use.

Although local high schools are using the field for regularly-scheduled hardball games, it is not yet ready to be marked with a shorter softball diamond, the board was told.

Bouchane, sponsor of the Double Dip girls' team, asked for use of the park on Wednesday night, May 20. Proceeds were earmarked for payment of expenses of the Lenox squad, which, it was disclosed last week, faces a financial crisis because of poor gate receipts.

Sport May Be Suspended

Lenox School officials indicated that unless financial assistance was forthcoming in the near future, the sport would probably be suspended this spring. Lenox is currently leading the Southern Berkshire League with a 3-0 record.

Senate Advances Bill To Transfer Balance Rock Park

5-21-53

Special to THE EAGLE

BOSTON—A bill which allows the city of Pittsfield to give its Balance Rock Park to the state Department of Conservation comes up for engrossment in the Senate this afternoon. The measure which was filed by Senator Conte at the request of Mayor Capeless and the City Council was given a second reading yesterday.

Senator Daniel O'Brien, a Cambridge Democrat and a selected mortician, offered a slight objection, but it was meant only to needle Senator Conte.

"Here," the Cambridge undertaker said, "we have a bill which bails the city of Pittsfield out of a bad stiuation, but when it comes to asking the western senators to help Metropolitan Boston, there is no reciprocity." The senator was referring to an attempt by Bostonians to exempt the Metropolitan Transit Authority, the public transportation agency for Greater Boston, from paying the state stax on gasoline and fuel oil. Non-Bostonians objected because the bill would constitute a state subsidy for the buses and subways of Boston and surrounding communities, and they succeeded in killing the bill.

"There's no comparison between the Balance Rock Park measure," Conte said, "and the kind of bill you're trying to foist on the entire commonwealth. The MTA is your own baby. We on the other hand are turning over to the state a property which will be a great asset to the commonwealth. Because we are giving, rather than receiving, the Pittsfield State Forest will be enhanced with more desirable acreage to be enjoyed by all the people of the state."

Fair & Foul Roger O'Gara

5-13-53

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IT SEEMS A SHAME that the Park Commission rejected Warren (Bobo) Bouchane's request to use Wahconah Park for a softball double-header for the benefit of the Lenox High baseball team.

Bobo had lined up an attractive double-header for the park for Wednesday, May 20, but he'll have to drop it. It is reported that Vin Hebert, the superintendent of recreation, felt that softball would impair the soggy diamond.

In these days of selfishness, too few people and organizations bother to think about the other fellow. This appeared to be a wonderful cause.

Hebert's point was that while baseball is being played there, the laying out of a shorter surface for softball would spoil the interior of the regular baseball diamond.

The flat rejection has angered Bouchane and several Lenox people. A more sensible solution, it seems to me, would have been a decision to wait until next week. Then, if the sogginess persisted, the program could have been postponed until the diamond was adjudged ready for softball use.

Clayson Renamed To Park Board

5-28-53

George P. Clayson Jr. of 215 Dawes Avenue, named to an unexpired term on the Park Commission two months ago, was reappointed by Mayor Capeless to a full five-year term today.

The reappointment will come before the City Council for confirmation tonight. Mr. Clayson, vice-president of Eaton Paper Corporation, has been filling the vacancy created last year by the death of Michael L. Foley, whose term would have expired May 1.

Nature Teacher Secured by PCC For Local Camps

Malcolm S. Aldrich of Springfield, a nature instructor, will supervise nature study in local camps during the summer camping season starting June 29, the Pittsfield Community Council announced today.

Mr. Aldrich will come to Pittsfield June 10 for preliminary work and will remain until the latter part of August.

This summer will be the first time the camps have been able to secure a fully qualified nature teacher. The project is a co-operative effort resulting from study and planning of the Council's recreation and group work division.

Groups participating in the nature study project are: Pittsfield Girls' Club at Camp Stevenson (day camp) and Camp Witawentin; Girl Scouts at day camps Marian White on Richmond Pond, Camp Bigford in Great Barrington, and Camp Tri-Town (Lee, Lenox and Stockbridge); Boy Scouts at Camp Eagle, YMCA at Camp Sumner, and the Pittsfield Park Department at city parks and playgrounds.

Mr. Aldrich graduated from the University of Massachusetts in 1951. He majored in nature education and recreational leadership. He has worked in the recreation field at the Northampton Veterans Hospital, Amherst Boys' Club, Life Camp in New Jersey, and Cedar Hill Girl Scout Camp in Waltham. He served as a lieutenant with the Air Force in 1951 and 1952.

Miss Marilyn Thompson Gets Swimming Rating

MEDFORD — Miss Marilyn J. Thompson recently received a national rating in swimming from the Boston board of the women's national officials rating committee of the National Section on Women's Athletics.

Miss Thompson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Thompson of 85 Emerson Avenue, Pittsfield, has just completed her junior year at Bouvé-Boston School at Tufts College.

During the year Miss Thompson also received a B rating in canoeing, was vice-president of the student fellowship, a member of the blue team and glee club, and a member of the Tufts cheerleading squad. She now is spending the summer with her parents.

Rita Mae Wolfe Graduates Sunday From Skidmore

Rita Mae Wolfe

Miss Rita Mae Wolfe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Wolfe of 84 Livingston Avenue, will graduate Sunday from Skidmore College at Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Miss Wolfe, who majored in business, will receive a bachelor of science degree.

She was a staff reported for the Skidmore News and, during her senior year, its news editor. She was a student adviser, a member of the freshman dormitory council the Business Club and the Outing Club. For the first semester of her senior year, she made the dean's list.

Miss Wolfe is a 1949 graduate of Pittsfield High School.

Marion Felton To Supervise Arts, Crafts

Miss Marion Felton

The Park Department today named Miss Marion Felton as playground supervisor of arts and crafts for this season.

Miss Felton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Felton of 17 Third Street, will complete her junior year at the University of Massachusetts this month. She is 21 years old.

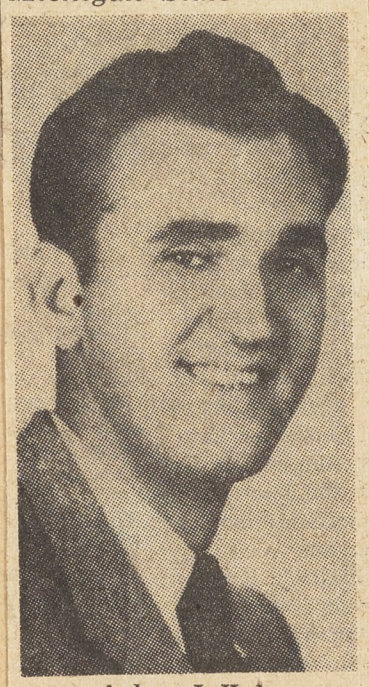
As supervisor, Miss Felton will visit all 18 playgrounds for half-day sessions on a rotation basis. Because she will be at each playground only four times during the nine-week season, she will concentrate on teaching crafts to staff members at their weekly two-hour workshops. She will emphasize homecrafts, using materials found at home or scraps, so that children can continue their interests throughout the year at little or no cost. Parents with skills or ideas are invited to discuss them with Miss Felton.

Directed Highland

Miss Felton directed Highland Playground last summer. She attended and participated in the playground institute at Camp Eagle in 1950 and last year, and, recently, attended the arts and crafts workshop at the University of Massachusetts. She previously has been assistant arts and crafts waterfront director at Camp Marion White.

Active in extra-curricular activities at the university, Miss Felton was a house counselor last year, and was chosen top house counselor by the dean for 1953-1954. She has been president of Wesley Foundation, vice-president of the New England Methodist Student Movement, on the executive council of the student Christian association and of the regional council of the New England Student Christian Movement. Miss Felton also is on the yearbook staff, on the steering committee for the Campus Chest, on the chaplain's council and on the planning committee for the international week. She also has been appointed to the inter-faith advisory council, a newly formed president's committee at the U. of M.

Andrew J. Hudec Graduating From Michigan State



Andrew J. Hudec

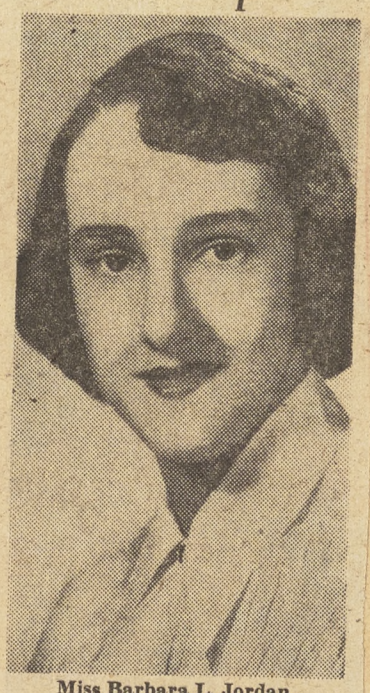
Andrew J. Hudec of 162 Benedict Road will receive a bachelor of science degree in physicial education Sunday in commencement exercises at Michigan State College, East Lansing, Mich.

Mr. Hudec, a native of Canada, formerly lived in Detroit. He is married to the former Dolores Clarke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred F. Clarke of 162 Benedict Road. Mr. and Mrs. Hudec have a daughter, Deborah Ann.

Mr. Judec is a Coast Guard veteran of World War II. At Michigan State he played varsity basketball and intramural sports. He was on the dean's list and belonged to the Newman Club and the Physicial Education Club.

Two Win Scholarships

Miss Libera Principe



Miss Barbara L. Jordan

The Pittsfield College Club has awarded scholarships to Miss Libera Principe and to Miss Barbara L. Jordan, Miss Isabelle G. Ferry, chairman of the scholarship committee, announced today. The scholarships are for $200 each.

Miss Principe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Principe of 227 Fenn Street, also won a College Club scholarship in 1952. She is completing her sophomore year at Boston University's Sargent College of Physical Education, where she has been president of her frshman and sophomore classes. Miss Principe recently was named vice-president of the student governing board, the highest office a prospective junior can hold, and elected to the honor auxiliary for high scholastic standing.

Miss Jordan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace R. Jordan of 28 Park Street, is completing her freshman year at the University of Massachusetts. Majoring in education, she plans to make teaching her career. Her scholastic standing for the past year is far above freshman average, according to Miss Ferry. Miss Jordan will be employed by the Park Department this summer as a playground director.

Both Miss Principe and Miss Jordan are Pittsfield High School graduates.

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Recreation Course Will Open Monday

Pittsfield, June 11—Miss Grace Walker, field worker for the National Recreation Association, again will direct the playground training institute at the Girls' Club next Monday through Thursday.

Miss Walker will instruct the playground staff in games and projects and will lead discussions of playground problems. Sessions of the institute, which is conducted annually by the Department of Parks and Recreation, will be at 1.30 and 6.30, Monday through Thursday, and Friday at 9.30. All sessions except the Friday one are free and open to the public. In addition to the playground leaders and directors, Park Department supervisors and representatives of various other recreational institutions in Pittsfield will attend. The playground season will open on June 22 for a nine-week season.

Play Institute Opens Here; Public Invited

The eighth annual playground institute opened early this afternoon with greetings from Park Commissioner George P. Clayson Jr., and Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert. The public is welcome to attend the institute sessions which will take place at 1.30 and 6.30 PM today through Thursday.

In addition to discussions of playground objectives, Miss Grace Walker of the National Recreation Association dealt with playground safety programs at today's opening meeting. She was assisted by Mrs. F. N. Krook, Police Officer Joseph J. Monteleone and James H. Lucas, Chamber of Commerce executive secretary, who are serving on a city-wide safety committee. Tonight's session will feature program planning, leadership methods, organized games and musical mixers.

Tomorrow, the institute will consider special events, the use of volunteers, folk dancing, musical games, stunts and contests, Miss Marion J. Felton, supervisor of arts and crafts, will speak at 3.45 PM.

Beginning at 6.30 PM tomorrow, Miss Carolyn J. Willis, music and dance supervisor, will lead a discussion in playground problems, team and individual games.

SUMMER FUN SUPERVISORS: Talking over Parks and Recreation Department plans for the summer are supervisors Larson M. Powell and the Misses Maureen H. Vincent and Carolyn J. Willis. Powell is in charge of publicity, Miss Vincent, archery, and Miss Willis, music and dance.

NRA Instructor Heads Training for Playground Staffs

Miss Grace Walker

Miss Grace Walker, recreation field worker for the National Recreation Association, will direct the playground training institute at the Girls' Club Monday through Thursday. Miss Walker, who also conducted the institute in 1950, will arrive in Pittsfield from New York Sunday evening to begin her duties.

Miss Walker is one of the country's leading teachers in the field of creative recreation. She is a graduate of Emerson College in Boston and studied at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art in London and at the School of International Studies in Geneva. She has been a member of the national leadership training staff of the National Recreation Association since 1944.

While in Pittsfield, Miss Walker will instruct this summer's playground staff in games and projects and will lead discussions on playground problems. Sessions of the institute, which is sponsored annually by the Department of Parks and Recreation, will be held at 1.30 PM and 6.30 PM Monday through Thursday and Friday at 9.30 AM. All sessions except Friday are free and open to the public.

In addition to the playground leaders and directors, Park Department supervisors and representatives of various other recreational institutions in Pittsfield will attend. The playgrounds will open June 22 for a nine-week season and the institute is part of the Park Department's pre-season training for all members of the staff.

Miss Joan Bates Receives Degree From Keuka College

PENN YAN, N.Y. — Miss Joan Bates, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest F. Bates of 6 Dodge Avenue, received her bachelor of arts degree from Keuka College at the 45th commencement exercises Sunday.

Miss Bates, a psychology major, graduated in 1949 from Pittsfield High School and Pittsfield Secretarial School. While at Keuka, she was president of the psychology club, vice-president and secretary of the Canterbury club, a member of the glee club and senior choir, song leader of her class for three years, college song leader, and soloist at the Keuka Park Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Bates attended the exercises.

32 Attend Opening of Play Institute

Thirty-two leaders, directors and supervisors from the Parks and Recreation Department summer staff attended the opening session of the playground training institute yesterday afternoon at the Girls' Club.

Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of Parks and Recreation, opened the first session and George P. Clayson Jr., of the Park Commission, addressed the group.

Miss Grace Walker, a recreation field worker for the National Recreation Association, is directing the course which will be held every afternoon and evening this week at 1.30 and 6.30 except Friday.

Miss Marion J. Felton, arts and crafts supervisor for the playgrounds, has planned a kite-making session for this afternoon's meeting. Miss Felton has also arranged displays showing the step-by-step construction of various arts and crafts articles which will be featured on the playgrounds this summer. Suggestions will be made as to the use of these crafts, which will be primarily made from inexpensive scraps. Among the articles displayed there are yarn and sock dolls, Indian hats and paper beads, felt hats and beanies, potato prints and paper plate holders.

3 Supervisors Named for Play Season

Larson M. Powell, The Misses Vincent, Willis Appointed

Superintendent of Parks and Recreation Vincent J. Hebert has announced the appointment of the supervisors of publicity, archery, and music and dance for the summer playground season.

Larson M. Powell will handl publicity, Miss Maureen H. Vince will hande archery and Miss Car lyn J. Willis will fill the post music and dance supervisor. Th will be the third consecutive ye in their posts for Mr. Powell a Miss Willis, while Miss Vincent w be returning for her second co secutive year.

Powel began preliminary wor last Monday and started daily, five-minute radio broadcasts over Station WBRK yesterday morning at 8.40. Miss Vincent and Miss Willis assumed their posts last Thursday and will begin regular visits to the city's playgrounds starting Monday morning.

Powell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. LeRoy Powell of 536 Pomeroy Avenue. He recently completed his junior year at Harvard College, where he was on the dean's list, a member of the student council and the Crimson Key Society, and treasurer of the International Activities Committee, a subcommittee of the National Student Association. He is a 1950 graduate of Pittsfield High School.

Miss Vincent is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Vincent of 181 Holmes Road and recently completed her junior year at Wellesley College. At Wellesley she studied archery for all three years under Elinor Schroeder, national teaching expert on archery. Miss Vincent is house president of Davis Hall, a member of Barnswallows, the Wellesley Dramatic Association, and was recently named a Wellesley Scholar. She is a 1950 graduate of Miss Hall's School.

Miss Willis, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Willis of 78 Somerset Avenue, completed her sophomore year at the Eastman Music School in Rochester, N.Y., last month. A graduate of Pittsfield High School, Miss Willis attended the Pittsfield Community Music School for seven years. While at the Eastman School, Miss Willis has been a member of the school chorus and the University of Rochester choir. She has also been a member of her dormitory council and social chairman for the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship.

Three Win Scholarships

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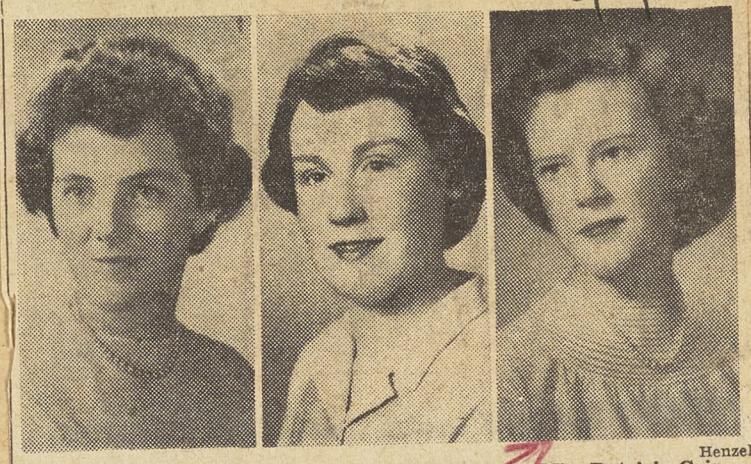

Miss Nancy Quirk — Miss Eleanor Clary — Miss Patricia Cain

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County Alumnae Of New Rochelle Award Total of $300

Three Pittsfield girls will be awarded $100 scholarships to the College of New Rochelle at a meeting of the college's Berkshire County Alumnae Association this evening at 6.30 at the GEAA club house.

They are: Miss Patricia Cain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Cain of 59 Foote Avenue; Miss Nancy Quirk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Quirk of 38 Adam Street; and Miss Eleanor M. Clary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Clary of 33 Boylston Street.

Miss Cain, who will enter New Rochelle next fall, also has received a grant aid of $400 from the college, renewable each year. She graduated with honors last Sunday from St. Joseph's High School, and won the school award for excellence in French. Literary editor of the Campus Echo, she was a member of the French, chemistry and glee clubs, of the class debating teams, in the senior play, and, during her senior year, was on the diocesan debating team.

A 1952 Pittsfield High School graduate, Miss Quirk was editor-in-chief of the Student's Pen for two years. She also won a $100 alumnae association scholarship last year, when she entered New Rochelle, and has a $500 full-tuition scholarship from the college. At New Rochelle, she was chairman of freshman mission day, and a member of the Young Christian Students.

Miss Clary, who will enter the senior class, will be awarded the alumnae scholarship for the fourth time. On the dean's list for the past school year, she is current events reporter for the New Rochelle Tatler, was field trip chairman for the sociology club, a regional chairman for Family Life Commission and a member of Young Christian Students. She graduated from Pittsfield High School in 1951.

Onota Project Started by State Crew

6/17/53

A state fish netting crew has started work at Onota Lake to thin down over-abundant pan fishes, especially bluegills. The crew arrived here yesterday afternoon from Great Barrington where they completed a fish salvage project at Long Pond which is part of the town's water supply.

Mike Miskewich is in charge of the Onota operations. Three fyke nets were set out yesterday afternoon and three more this morning. Present this morning to watch the work of the crew were Morris E. Lundberg, public works commissioner, Andrew J. Miller and James H. Frank, members of the city pond fish committee, and Francis J. Lahey, director of the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club. They made a tour of the nets in Wallace Jordan's motor launch.

Mr. Miskewich issued a warning today to the public not to molest the nets. He said one was tampered with some time during the night.

Play Council To Attend Institute Tonight

6-18-53

Neighborhood council representatives will meet with playground directors and leaders at tonight's training institute session at 6.30 at the Girls' Club.

Public relations, recreation trends and dancing activities will be discussed. At an afternoon session today, teen-age problems and playground dramatics were considered.

The final meeting of the institute will take place at 9.30 tomorrow morning. It will be for staff members only. Larsen Powell will speak on playground publicity and Mrs. Charles M. Jordan, recreation supervisor, will discuss general problems.

At yetserday's meeting, Miss Grace Walker of the National Recreation Association, discussed public relations, neighborhood problems, community nights and games. Malcolm S. Aldrick dealt with nature recreation. In the evening, Maureen H. Vincent, archery supervisor, discussed the program her department has planned for the summer.

18 Playgrounds Open Monday; Staff Personnel Announced

6/18/53

The city's 18 parks and playgrounds will open Monday for a nine-week season ending Aug. 21, it was announced today by Superintendent of Parks and Recreation Vincent J. Hebert.

At the same time Mr. Hebert announced that two changes will be made in the operation of the playgrounds. Because of the construction and grading at the site of the new South Junior High School, operations at Root playground are being suspended for this summer. A move is under way to circulate a petition among the residents in the Root area asking for the re-establishment of the playground at the earliest possible date.

Tot-lot at Crane

In the second change, Crane playground is being converted into a tot-lot for children under 12 years of age. Children over 12 years of age in the area will use the new playground which was established last year at the Allendale School. The addition of Crane will raise the total of playgrounds designed for use by children under 12 years of age to four—Crane, Wilson Park, Victory Hill and the Francis Avenue playground.

Thirty-eight persons have been selected from 75 applicants for playground staff positions on the 18 playgrounds. Eighteen of last year's staff will be returning. Although the department prefers male directors, only seven applied and of these but four were qualified. Five applied for supervisor's posts, 23 as directors and 48 as leaders.

The staff includes 17 directors, 18 leaders and supervisors of arts and crafts, music and dance, archery and publicity. All of the directors and supervisors are college students.

Besides the regular staff, three sports directors have been named to conduct boys' sports nights on the larger playgrounds where there will not be a male director. Working on a part-time basis in that capacity will be Alexander Leslie of 10 Pine Street, Richard L. Ross of 26 Holmes Road and John P. Luzis of 1306 East Street.

Malcolm S. Aldrich of Richmond has been hired as a part-time nature supervisor through arrangement with the Pittsfield Community Council. Mr. Aldrich will assist leaders and directors in the planning and conduct of children's nature programs.

Staff members with assignments are listed below.

Playground Supervisors

Arts and Crafts—Marion J. Felton, 17 Third Street.

Music and Dance—Carolyn J. Willis, 78 Somerset Avenue.

Archery—Maureen H. Vincent, 181 Holmes Road.

Publicity—Larson M. Powell, 536 Pomeroy Avenue.

Directors and Leaders

Abby Lodge—Eleanor Clary, 33 Boylston Street.

Allendale—Barbara Erickson, 418 Cheshire Road; Mary Ellen Boland, 128 Allengate Avenue.

Common—Clare Connor, 50 Putnam Avenue; Phyllis Gale, 15 Endicott Street; Carole Stutz, 79 Taylor Street.

Coolidge—Bruce Milne, 1051 West Street; Eleanor Persip, 31 Summit Street.

Crane—Vanda Francese, 227 Dawes Avenue; Rachael Whitman, 1105 North Street.

Clapp—Barbara Jordan, 28 Park Street; Judith Cooper, 75 Williams Street.

Deming—David Wood, 63 Strong Avenue; Sheila McCormick, 134 Strong Avenue.

Francis—Valerie Walsh, 27 Elizabeth Street; Jane Benton, 35 Thomson Place.

Highland—Joan Mullaney, 264 West Housatonic Street; Karen Handler, 31 Revere Parkway.

Lakewood—Lynn Thompson, 85 Emerson Avenue; Patricia Drennan, 15 Laflin Terrace.

Osceola—JoAnn Tyrrell, New Lenox Road, Lenox; Sally Reagan, 47 Strong Avenue.

Pitt—Nancy Quirk, 38 Adam Street; Janet Lewis, 11 Allendale Road.

Pontoosuc—Robert Somerville, 68 Easton Avenue; Santina Palano, 353 Tyler Street.

Springside—Jean Jarvie, 41 Pittsfield Avenue; Rosalie Condron, 36 Maplewood Avenue.

Wahconah—Edward Herberg, 41 Putnam Avenue; Regina Garrity, 33 Allendale Road.

West—Merna Morgenstein, 205 Pomeroy Avenue; Maureen O'Connor, 51 Burbank Street.

Victory Hill—Beverly Hyde, 186 Lebanon Avenue.

Wilson Park—Nancy Shaw, 8 Laflin Terrace.

Mrs. Jordan Resigns From Recreation Post

6-23-53

The resignation of Mrs. Charles R. Jordan of 5 Hollister Street as full-time manager of recreation for the Parks and Recreation Department was accepted with regret by the Park Commission at its meeting last night.

Her resignation, submitted May 9, will be effective July 1. She will be available for part-time work and will continue to take charge of the Golden Age group and Young Adult Club.

A 1950 graduate of the University of Massachusetts, she was appointed in June, 1951, after a year at the Westboro State Hospital where she organized and directed recreation. She was married this January.

Candidates Sought

Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert was instructed to seek candidates for the position. He said this morning he has sent out notices of the opening to a number of colleges offering degrees in recreation. In the meantime, Mrs. Jordan's duties will be split up among the supervisors. Mr. Hebert said he may at a later date appoint a supervisor as director of playgrounds.

The superintendent added that the department was exceptionally fortunate in having the services of Mrs. Jordan. He said she has received high praise from all groups she has worked with.

The commission last night authorized Mr. Hebert and Foreman William F. Fitzgerald to attend the New England Park Association meeting in Lynn on Thursday.

The superintendent read a letter from the National Recreation Council asking him to preside over the winter sports section of the Recreation Congress in Philadelphia in October.

The commission instructed Mr. Hebert to investigate the need for a playground in the Allengate section where residents had petitioned for one. The superintendent will report at a later meeting.

NATURE LEADER: Malcolm S. Aldrich of Springfield, who will supervise nature study in local camps during the summer camping season starting June 29, sponsored by the Pittsfield Community Council.

Summer Schedule For Pittsfield's Playgrounds (Cut Out and Save)

	PLAYGROUND EVENTS	BAND CONCERTS	DANCES and AQUATIC EVENTS
June 22, Monday	Opening of All Playgrounds, 9.30 AM		
June 25, Thursday	Scavenger Hunt—All Playgrounds, 10 AM	Park Square, 8.30 PM	
June 26, Friday			Folk Dance Festival, Wahconah Park, 8.30
July 2, Thursday	Pet Show—All Playgrounds, 10 AM		Teen-age Dance, Masonic Temple, 9.00 PM
July 4, Saturday	Holiday Parade—Playground Float		
July 5, Sunday		Pontoosuc Lake, 2.30 PM	
July 9, Thursday	Doll Show—All Playgrounds, 10 AM		City Swimming Meet, Pontoosuc Lake
July 12, Sunday		Onota Lake, 2.30 PM	
July 16, Thursday	On Wheels Day—All Playgrounds, 10 AM		Teen-age Dance, 9.00 PM (Place to be announced)
July 18, Saturday			
July 21, Tuesday	City-wide Mardi Gras Parade, 7 PM		Teen-age Dance, 9.00 PM (Place to be announced)
July 23, Thursday	Baby Show and Diaper Derby—All Playgrounds, 10 AM		
July 26, Sunday			New England AAU Swimming Meet, Pontoosuc Lake
July 30, Thursday	Pontoosuc Day—All Playgrounds, 10 AM	Park Square, 8.30 PM	Water Carnival, Pontoosuc Lake, 7.30 PM
Aug. 5, 6, 7, Wed.-Fri.	Covered Wagon, 10 AM, 2 PM		
August 6, Thursday	Nature Day—All Playgrounds, 10 AM		Teen-age Dance, 9.00 PM (Place to be announced)
August 13, Thursday	Junior Olympics—All Playgrounds, 10 AM (Semi-finals) Junior Olympics—Clapp Park, 6.30 PM (finals)	Park Square, 8.30 PM	
August 17, 18, Mon.-Tues.	Archery Tournament, Clapp, 10 AM		
August 20, Thursday	Playground Pageant, Wahconah, 7 PM		Teen-age Dance, 9.00 PM (Place to be announced)
August 21, Friday	Cowboy Roundup, Springside, 12.30 PM	Park Square, 8.00 PM	
August 27, Thursday			Teen-age Dance, 9.00 PM (Place to be announced)
September 7, Monday			
October 31, Saturday		Park Square, 8.30 PM	Teen-age Dance, 9.00 PM Masonic Temple

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

ARCHERY:

Monday—Clapp

Tuesday—Springside

Wednesday—Deming

Thursday (½ Day)—Coolidge

Friday—Allendale

Adult Classes, Every Wednesday Evening at 7 at Springside House

BOYS' SPORTS NIGHT:

Tuesday—Allendale, Highland, Osceola

Wednesday—Clapp, Pitt, Springside

Thursday—Allendale, Common

BEACHES and POOLS:

Pontoosuc Lake Park: Picnic Facilities, Bathing Beach—Lifeguards on Duty 11 AM-8 PM

Onota Lake (Burbank Park): Picnic Facilities, Bathing Beach—Lifeguards on Duty 11 AM-8 PM

Springside Park: Wading Pool (Children 10 and Under)—Lifeguard on Duty 10-12 AM, 1-5 PM, 6-8 PM (7 Days a Week)

Crane: Wading Pool (Children 10 and Under) Lifeguards on Duty 10-12 AM, 1-5 PM, 6-8 PM (7 Days a Week)

Scavenger Hunt Tops Program For Playgrounds

The special event for all of the city's playgrounds next week will be a scavenger hunt on Thursday morning at 10. Special events will be held on all of the playgrounds on Thursday morning this year, instead of Friday afternoons as was the custom last season. In case of rain, the event will be held on Friday morning.

In addition to the visits of the regular supervisors of arts and crafts, music and dance and archery, the new nature supervisor and the boys' sports directors will start regular visits to the playgrounds next week.

As part of the pre-season archery publicity, archery displays have been set up in the lobby of the Union Square Theatre and in the window of 320 North Street.

Playground Events For Week Listed

The playground schedule for the remainder of this week was announced by the Parks and Recreation Department today as follows:

Day	Arts and Crafts
Wednesday	Morning—Lakewood Afternoon—Osceola
Thursday	Afternoon—Pitt
Friday	Morning—Pontoosuc Afternoon—Springside
	Music and Dance
Wednesday	Morning—Abby Lodge Afternoon—Allendale
Thursday	Afternoon—Clapp
Friday	Morning—Common Afternoon—Coolidge
	Archery
Wednesday	Deming
Thursday	Coolidge
Friday	Allendale
	Movies
Tuesday	Allendale Osceola
Wednesday	Clapp Pitt
Thursday	Common Pontoosuc
Friday	Coolidge Springside

Sports Directors—6.00 PM

Monday—Clapp.
Tuesday—Highland, Osceola, Springside.
Wednesday—Pitt, Allendale.
Thursday—Allendale, Common, Highland.

Playground Events For Week Listed

Day	
Monday	**Arts and Crafts** Morning—Wahconah Afternoon—West
Tuesday	Morning—Victory Hill Afternoon—Wilson Park
Wednesday	Morning—Abby Lodge Afternoon—Allendale
Thursday	Afternoon—Clapp
Friday	Morning—Common Afternoon—Coolidge
Monday	**Music and Dance** Morning—Deming Afternoon—Francis
Tuesday	Morning—Highland Afternoon—Lakewood
Wednesday	Morning—Osceola Afternoon—Pitt
Thursday	Afternoon—Pontoosuc.
Friday	Morning—Springside Afternoon—Wahconah
	Archery
Monday	Clapp
Tuesday	Springside
Wednesday	Deming
Thursday	Afternoon—Coolidge
Friday	Allendale
Monday	**Movies** Crane West
Tuesday	Deming Victory Hill
Wednesday	Francis Wilson Park
Thursday	Highland Abby Lodge
Friday	Lakewood Allendale
Thursday	**Special Events—Dances, Etc.** Pet Show

SPORTS DIRECTOR (6.00 PM)

Monday—Clapp, Highland, Osceola.
Tuesday—Springside, Highland, Lakewood.
Wednesday—Allendale, Highland, Pitt.
Thursday—Allendale, Highland, Common.
Friday—Highland.

NATURE SUPERVISOR

Monday, 7.00-8.00—West Memorial.
Tuesday, 1.30-5.00—Clapp; **6.30-9.00**, Wahconah.

Record Crowd Attends Opening Of Playgrounds

More than 4570 children and adults visited Pittsfield's 18 parks and playgrounds during yesterday's opening.

This is 170 more than last year's opening-day total. Hat-making and playground identification badges were featured at crafts sessions at all areas, and several playground parades were staged.

Events tomorrow include:

11-12 at Springside, a coloring book

A cleanup contest at Osceola at 10 AM; building a fireplace at 10 and a kite-flying contest at 2 PM at Crane; a meeting of the Neighborhood Council at Highland at 7.30 PM; the making of macaroni jewelry at 10 and a hike at 3 at Victory Hill playground.

Also, a sandbox sculpture contest at 10 and a story-telling hour from 11-12 at Springside; a coloring book contest at 10 and a trip to Pontoosuc Lake at 10.30 for children at the Common; a drawing contest at Francis at 2; a hot dog roast at West Memorial at 7 PM, and a meeting of the Neighborhood Council at Pontoosuc at 7.15 PM.

Playground Notes

A scavenger hunt tomorrow morning at 10 at all areas will highlight the rest of the week's activities at the city's playgrounds. If it rains, the event will be Friday morning.

Also tomorrow, there will be a bubblegum contest at 10.30 AM at Deming, a baseball game at Deming with Coolidge at 2 PM, a softball practice at Victory Hill at 2, a sandbox contest at the Common at 2.30, a bottle-top garden class at Francis at 2.30, and hot dog roasts at Springside and Crane at 6.30.

Deming topped Lakewood, 7-0, in a baseball game last night.

Playground Notes

The following events will be held at the city's playgrounds next week:

West Memorial: Crazy hat contest, Monday at 2 PM.

Allendale: A hike to Springside for children over eight from 2 to 4.30 PM; neighborhood council meeting at 7.30.

This week's safety patrol members are John Polidoro, Anthony Polidoro, Daniel Keegan, John Cannon and John Earle.

Deming: Hot dog roast Monday at 7 PM.

Results of activities at playgrounds this week follow:

Crane: Clean-up contest winners were Patrick Nazzacco and Robert Stockley. Mrs. Romilda Nachbauer and Mrs. Rose Occhiwn were the judges.

Girls' Softball: Wahconah defeated the Common, 14-4.

Playground Notes

The following special events will take place at the city's parks tomorrow:

Allendale will hold a color-book contest at 10, a sandbox sculpture contest at 11, a hat-making contest at 2 and a story hour at 4. Highland playgrounders will build kites in the morning and fly them in the afternoon. There will also be a hot dog roast at Highland at 6.30.

Osceola has scheduled a hike for 10 and a printing session at 11. There will be a kite making contest at Deming at 10. Wahconah playgrounders will go to Pontoosuc Lake between 11 and 3.30, and West Memorial will hold a freckles contest at 2.

Bubblegum Contest

There will be a bubblegum contest at Victory Hill at 2 and a story hour at 6.30. The Common will hold relay races at 2 and Clapp will have a marshmallow roast at 7. Coolidge has scheduled a family picnic before movies tomorrow night.

Winners of the bubblegum contest at the Common yesterday were: Nina Lee Robie, first; Sheila Barry, second; and William DeFazio, third. Members of the Common's safety patrol this week will be William DeFazio, Paul Williams and Roberta Maloy.

Design contest winners at Victory Hill Tuesday were: Joan Meacham, prettiest; Elaine McNamara and Patricia Neilson, most colorful. and Karen Neilson, most colorful.

Deming's safety patrol this week will be Charles Vincent, Edward McDermott, Bernard Barrie, James Esoldi and Leroy Girard. Bubblegum contest winners at Deming yesterday were: David Nealon, Susan Taylor, Margaret Nealon, Charles Vincent, Dorothy Nealon and Edward McDermott.

Deming downed Lakewood, 8-0, in an 8-to-11-year-old baseball game yesterday.

Playground Notes

Miss Lucilla Fuller, swimming instructor for the Department of Parks and Recreation, has announced that registrations for free swimming classes to be given by the department beginning next Monday may be made from 12 to 5 PM at Crane pool tomorrow afternoon, at Springside pool Thursday afternoon and at the Pontoosuc Lake bath house Friday afternoon. Saturday registrations will be accepted at the Pontoosuc office from 1 to 5 PM. Registrations will also be taken this week at the Park Department's office at 52 School Street.

The department's regular movie operators will visit Abby Lodge and Wahconah tonight, and Allendael and Osceola tomorrow night. The special nature supervisor will visit Osceola tonight from 7 to 8, and a boys' sports night will be held at Clapp starting at 6.

Tomorrow, the arts and crafts supervisor will visit Francis and Highland, the music and dance supervisor will visit Victory Hill and Crane, and archery instruction will be given at Springside.

The schedule for boys' sports nights tomorrow will be Springside, Lakewood and Osceola, and the nature supervisor will conduct sessions at Springside from 1.30 to 5, and at Lakewood from 6.30 to 9 PM.

Play Workshop Tonight at 6.30

The first playground workshop of the summer season will be held tonight at 6.30 at the Girls' Club. Subsequent sessions will be conducted each week prior to the reguar Monday night playground staff meetings.

They are designed to keep playground leaders and directors up to date on various methods of teaching nature, music and dance, arts and crafts in addition of providing extra material for games and projects.

Regular playground supervisors will be at every meeting to help leaders and directors. All representatives from the city's 18 playgrounds will attend tonight's meeting.

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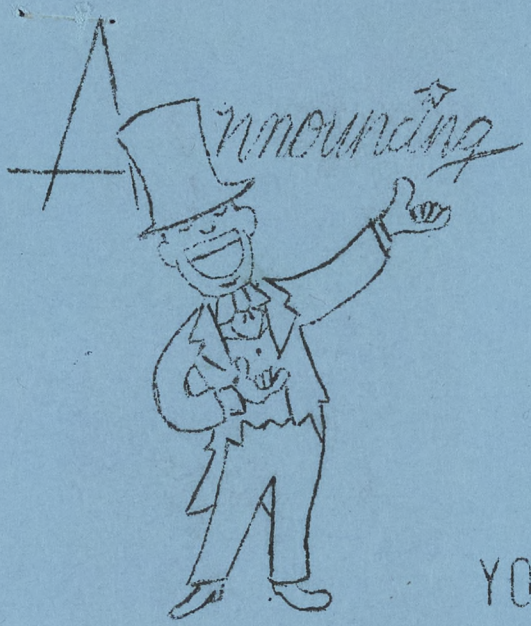

PITTSFIELD'S SUMMER RECREATION SCHEDULE

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THE FOLLOWING SUMMER CALENDAR OF HAPPINESS IS CREATED FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT.
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PLAN AN ENJOYABLE SUMMER IN PITTSFIELD

OPENING DATES:	BEACHES-	JUNE 19
	PLAYGROUNDS AND POOLS-	JUNE 22

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SUPER SPECIAL EVENTS

JUNE 26	FOLK DANCE FESTIVAL (co-sponsors*)	WAHCONAH PARK
JULY 12	CITY SWIMMING MEET	PONTOOSUC LAKE
JULY 21	*MARDI GRAS PARADE	NORTH STREET
JULY 26	NEW ENGLAND A.A.U.	PONTOOSUC LAKE
JULY 30	*PONTOOSUC DAY	PONTOOSUC LAKE
AUGUST 13	*JUNIOR OLYMPICS	CLAPP PARK
AUGUST 17, 18	ARCHERY TOURNAMENT	CLAPP PARK
AUGUST 20	PAGEANT	WAHCONAH STADIUM
AUGUST 21	*COWBOY ROUND-UP	SPRINGSIDE PARK

OTHER SPECIALS TO BE DATED LATER

WATER CARNIVAL	
SWIMMING MEET WITH HUDSON, NEW YORK	
*ARTS & CRAFTS EXHIBIT	PARK SQUARE
*HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT	CITY-WIDE

(*PLAYGROUND CITY-WIDE EVENTS)

SUPER SPECIAL EVENTS

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ARCHERY

THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT'S SUPERVISOR OF ARCHERY WILL MAKE DAY-LONG VISITS ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE FOR THE COMING PLAYGROUND SEASON, EXTENDING THROUGH AUGUST 19, 1953.

MONDAY	CLAPP
TUESDAY	SPRINGSIDE
WEDNESDAY	DEMING
THURSDAY ($\frac{1}{2}$ DAY)	COOLIDGE
FRIDAY	ALLENDALE

ADULT CLASSES WILL TAKE PLACE EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING AT 7:00 P. M. AT SPRINGSIDE HOUSE.

CITY-WIDE ARCHERY TOURNAMENT STARTS AUGUST 17th.

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- BASEBALL LEAGUES -

LITTLE LEAGUE-

Serving boys between the ages of 8 to 12 years. Twelve teams entered - 3 leagues (consisting of four teams in each). All games played at the Little League fields— Deming, Clapp and Wahconah Park. Department maintains the field, supplies the game balls and assists in the city-wide administration of the leagues.

LITTLE BIGGER LEAGUE-

Serving selected boys between the ages of 13 to 15 years. Eight teams- 15 boys per team participate in league play. All games played at Deming-Diamond #1 and Clapp Park.

MIDGET CITY LEAGUE AND PLAYGROUND LEAGUES- (Final plans to be announced later)

Serving boys between the ages of 12 and 15 years, who are not affiliated with an organized league. These boys are too old for Little League ball and did not try or were not selected for Little-Bigger League play. The leagues are operated on a Monday through Thursday basis with Friday being reserved for rained out or postponed games.

JR. CITY LEAGUE AND BERKSHIRE COUNTY LEAGUE- (Plans to be announced later)

Serving boys between the ages of 15 to 19 years.

SOFTBALL LEAGUES-

Serving young adults and adults. Eleven teams participating in two leagues. All games played at Deming Park-Diamond #2 and #3. Game time- 6:30 P.M. - Monday through Friday.

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES OFFICIALS FOR ALL LEAGUE GAMES

BASEBALL & SOFTBALL LEAGUES

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PLAYGROUND SPECIAL EVENTS

(weekly events to be held on all playgrounds, Thursday at 10:00 A.M. In case of rain, postpone to Friday, 10:00 A.M.)

June 22	Mon.	Opening Day
June 26	Thurs.	Scavenger Hunt
July 2	Thurs.	Pet Show
July 4	Sat.	Holiday Parade - Playground Float
July 9	Thurs.	Doll Show
July 16	Thurs.	On Wheels Day
**July 21	Tues.	Mardi-Gras
July 23	Thurs.	Baby Show and Diaper Derby
**July 30	Thurs.	Pontoosuc Day
Aug. 5, 6, 7	Wed., Thurs., Fri.	Covered Wagon
Aug. 6	Thurs.	Nature Day
Aug. 13	Thurs.	Jr. Olympics Semi-finals-morning at each playground Jr. Olympic Finals - evening - Clapp Park
**Aug. 20	Thurs. (evening)	Pageant
**Aug. 21	Fri.	Cowboy Round-up

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DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED — Arts and Crafts Exhibit in Park Square
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PLAYGROUND STAFF

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SUPERVISORS

NAME		ADDRESS
ARTS & CRAFTS		
Marion Felton		17 Third Street (2-1110)
ARCHERY		
Maureen Vincent		181 Holmes Road (7127)
PUBLICITY		
Larson Powell		536 Pomeroy Avenue (2-1057)
MUSIC & DANCE		
Carolyn Willis		78 Somerset Ave. (9578)
NATURE SUPERVISOR (Part Time)		
Malcolm S. Aldrich	Bluebird Cottage	Richmond, Mass. (1-14)
SPORTS DIRECTORS (Part Time)		
Alexander Leslie		10 Pine Street (2-4666)
Richard Ross		66 Emerson Avenue (7149)
John Luzis		1306 East Street (2-7732)

PLAYGROUND STAFF

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1953 PLAYGROUND STAFF

	DIRECTORS	LEADERS
ABBY		Astrid Hagenguth 20 Boylston Street (5508)
ALLENDALE	Barbara Erickson 418 Cheshire Rd. (2-9058)	Mary Ellen Boland 128 Allengate Ave. (22404)
COMMON	Clare Connor 50 Putnam Ave.(2-5344)	Phyllis Gale 15 Endicott Street(7742) Carole Stutz 79 Taylor Street (2-3127)
COOLIDGE	Bruce Milne 1051 West Street (7798)	Eleanor Persip 31 Summit Avenue (2-0210)
CRANE	Vanda Francese 227 Dawes Avenue (4821)	Rachel Whitman 1105 North Street (2-3053)
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FRANCIS	Valerie Walsh (2-6328) 27 Elizabeth Street	Jane Benton 35 Thompson Place (2-4805)
HIGHLAND	Joan Mullaney (2-1758) 264 W. Housatonic St.	Joan Thacker 11 Charles Street (9820)
LAKEWOOD	Marilyn Thompson 85 Emerson Ave. (2-4374)	Patricia Drennan 15 Laflin Terrace (2-9652)
OSCEOLA	Jo An M. Tyrrell New Lenox Rd.,Lenox (Lenox 403 -W2)	Sally Reagan 47 Strong Ave. (2-9986)
PITT	Nancy Quirk 38 Adams Street (5490)	Janet Lewis 11 Allendale Rd. (4911)
PONTOOSUC	Robert Somerville 63 Easton Avenue (2-0565)	Santina Palano 353 Tyler Street (9573)
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VICTORY HILL	Beverly Hyde 186 Lebanon Ave.(2-3138)	
WILSON	Nancy Shaw 8 Laflin Terrace (2-1445)	

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BEACHES AND POOLS

BEACHES OPEN JUNE 19	POOLS OPEN JUNE 22
PONTOOSUC LAKE PARK: PICNIC FACILITIES, BATHING BEACH	LIFEGUARDS ON DUTY: 11 AM - 8 PM
ONOTA LAKE (BURBANK PARK): PICNIC FACILITIES, BATHING BEACH	LIFEGUARDS ON DUTY: 11 AM - 8 PM
SPRINGSIDE PARK: WADING POOL (CHILDREN 10 AND UNDER)	LIFEGUARD ON DUTY: 10-12 AM, 1-5 PM, 6-8 PM (7 DAYS/WEEK)
CRANE: WADING POOL (CHILDREN 10 AND UNDER)	LIFEGUARDS ON DUTY: 10 - 12 AM, 1-5 PM 6 - 8 PM (7 DAYS/WEEK)

PICNIC FACILITIES

PICNIC KITS (TRUNK) - 2 KITS (FOR OVER 20 PERSONS)	CONTAINS EQUIPMENT FOR PLAYING HORSESHOES, PADDLE TENNIS, SOFTBALL, FOOTBALL, VOLLEYBALL, DECK TENNIS AND CHECKERS PLUS A FIRST AID KIT.
PICNIC KITS (BAG) - 3 KITS (FOR UNDER 20 PERSONS)	CONTAINS EQUIPMENT FOR PLAYING SOFTBALL, VOLLEY-BALL, DECK TENNIS, HORSE-SHOES.

KITS MAY BE RESERVED BY CALLING THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION AT 6486 OR 6487 ANY DAY DURING THE WEEK. RENTAL COST IS $1.00 WITH A DEPOSIT REQUIRED. KITS MAY BE PICKED UP AT THE PARK DEPARTMENT OFFICE, 52 SCHOOL STREET.

PICNIC TABLES: 40 TABLES AT PONTOOSUC LAKE PARK
20 TABLES AT ONOTA LAKE (BURBANK PARK)

TABLES MAY BE RESERVED 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE BY CALLING THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT OFFICE AT 6486 OR 6487 ANY DAY DURING THE WEEK. RESERVATIONS MADE LESS THAN 24 HOURS AHEAD OF TIME SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH THE CONCESSION STANDS AT THE BEACHES. THERE WILL BE A SLIGHT CHARGE FOR THE USE OF THESE TABLES.

CITY SWIMMING MEET	SUNDAY, JULY 19	CO-SPONSORED - EAGLE
NEW ENGLAND A.A.U.	SUNDAY, JULY 26	CO-SPONSORED - SPRINGFIELD UNION

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PLAYGROUND FACILITIES & ACTIVITIES

BASEBALL	Clapp, Springside, Deming, Common, Coolidge, Osceola Lakewood.
SOFTBALL	Clapp, Springside, Deming, Common, Pitt, Highland, West, Crane, Pontoosuc, Allendale.
ARCHERY	Clapp, Springside, Coolidge, Deming, Allendale.
VOLLEYBALL	Clapp, Springside, Deming, Common, Coolidge Osceola, Pitt, Highland, West, Crane, Lakewood, Pontoosuc.
BASKETBALL	Clapp, Springside, Deming, Common, Coolidge, Osceola Pitt, Highland, West, Crane, Lakewood.
PADDLE TENNIS	Springside, Deming, Common, Pitt, Lakewood.
HORSESHOES	All playgrounds except Francis, Victory Hill and Wilson Park

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Sports Directors conduct Boys' Sports Nights

Monday	Clapp
Tuesday	Springside, Osceola, Lakewood
Wednesday	Allendale, Pitt
Thursday	Allendale, Common, Highland

Supervisors of Arts and Crafts, Music and Dance, Archery and Nature visit playgrounds regularly on a rotation basis. Weekly visits are announced in the Saturday edition of the Berkshire Evening Eagle.

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BAND CONCERTS

DATE	PLACE	UNIT	TIME
THURSDAY, JUNE 25	PARK SQUARE	EAGLES BAND	8:30 PM
SUNDAY, JULY 5	PONTOOSUC LAKE	EAGLES BAND	2:30 PM
SUNDAY, JULY 12	ONOTA LAKE	SULLIVAN'S BAND	2:30 PM
THURSDAY, JULY 30	PARK SQUARE	EAGLES BAND	8:30 PM
THURSDAY, AUGUST 13	PARK SQUARE	EAGLES BAND	8:30 PM
THURSDAY, AUGUST 27	PARK SQUARE	EAGLES BAND	8:30 PM
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7	PARK SQUARE	EAGLES BAND	8:00 PM

PARADES

JULY 21	PITTSFIELD MARDI GRAS	EAGLES BAND	7:00 PM
OCTOBER 31	PITTSFIELD (HALLOWEEN PARADE)	EAGLES AND OTHERS	7:00 PM

BLOCK DANCES

THURSDAY, JULY 2	PITTSFIELD (MASONIC TEMPLE)	9:00 PM
SATURDAY, JULY 18	PITTSFIELD (BLOCK DANCE)	9:00 PM
THURSDAY, AUGUST 6	PITTSFIELD (BLOCK DANCE)	9:00 PM
THURSDAY, AUGUST 20	PITTSFIELD (BLOCK DANCE)	9:00 PM
THURSDAY, AUGUST 27	PITTSFIELD (BLOCK DANCE)	9:00 PM

SQUARE DANCES

FRIDAY, JUNE 26	FOLK FESTIVAL	WAHCONAH PARK	8:30 PM
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31	HALLOWEEN DANCE	MASONIC TEMPLE	9:00 PM

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Young Archers To Shoot Balloons In Play Competition

Pittsfield playground archers will swing into tournament competition this week at balloon shoots at the city's five bow-and-arrow areas. Kids, bring your own targets!

This event marks the start of competition for tassel awards at the different playgrounds. The 18 gold tassel winners, the best playground archers, will compete on a team in a tournament at the end of the season.

Archery Supervisor Maureen Vincent reports that 206 children turned out for archery instruction last week—81 more than last year. Adult attendance Wednesday evenings has also jumped.

Playground Notes

Special events planned tomorrow at the city's parks and playgrounds follow:

Coolidge—Baseball game, with Clapp at 10; playground band rehearsal at 2.30; neighborhood council meeting at 7.

West Memorial—Kite making and flying all day.

Lakewood—Sandbox contest at 10; cake sale and movies at 7 PM.

Common—Hike to Springside Park at 10.

Abby Lodge—Bike hike to Roaring Brook at 12. Bring fishing poles and lunches.

Deming—Checker tournament at 10; baseball game with Springside at 2.

Pontoosuc—Trip to Pontoosuc Lake at 1.30.

Francis—Checker and carom tournament at 2 PM.

Crane—Picnic and hike to Springside at 1.30 PM.

Victory Hill—Softball practice at 11; necktie contest at 2 PM.

Allendale—Story hour and coloring hour at 2; square dancing from 7-9 PM.

Osceola—Peanut hunt at 2.30 PM.

Highland—Soap carving at 2 PM.

Clapp—Baseball game with Coolidge at 10; scribble contest at 2 PM.

Playground Results

Springside—Peanut hunt winners: Most, James Burke; silver peanut, Patricia Martin; red peanut, Cecilia Tierney.

Victory Hill—Crazy hat contest winners: Craziest, Susanne Knox, 1st; Joan Meacham, 2d; Patricia Leahey, 3d. Judges: Mrs. John T. VanWyck and Judith Leahey. Bathing beauty contest winners: Prettiest, Maureen Healey, 1st; Cathleen Gaul, 2d. Older age group: Prettiest, Ann MacNamara; cutest, Patricia Gaul. Younger age group, Mr. America, 1950: Roger Mattison. Judges: Mrs. John T. VanWyck, Mrs. John A. Doyle and Mrs. Charles H. Winchell.

Wahconah—Girls softball: Wahconah 11, Pontoosuc 7. Joseph H. Bonaquista, umpire.

Playground Notes

Leaders and directors of all of the city's playgrounds will close their areas at 8 tonight to assist in decorating the Park Department float for the annual 4th of July parade tomorrow.

Here are the special events planned for Monday:

Lakewood—Pony tail contest at 10.30; trip to the police station at 1.30.

Victory Hill—Song Festival at 2 PM.

Allendale—Story acting for younger children at 10.30; trip to Pontoosuc Lake from 10.30 to 4 PM for older children. Costume party at 2 for younger children; marshmallow roast at 7.

Springside—Tall-story contest at 11 AM.

Wahconah—Bubblegum contest at 2 PM.

Pitt—Crazy hat contest at 2 PM.

Clapp—Hot dog roast at 6 PM.

Playground Results

Wahconah—Girls' softball: Wahconah 12, Common 10. Paul Williams, umpire.

Osceola—Sand sculpture contest winners: Jean MacHaffie (best individual project); Christine Cullen (youngest); Judith Ann Francis, John Francis and Carol McCaffrey, (most beautiful); William Gracyk, (neatest); Barbara Chapman, Karen and Maryann Hendrickson (best developed idea); Madeline Morwick, Judith Farrell, Carol Bovin, and Barbara and Betsy Dallmeyer (most original). Judges, Albert G. Clark, Mrs. Virginia H. Gracyk, and Robert Mayo.

Coolidge—Bubblegum winners: Largest, Margaret Blumendale; smallest, Sherry Kirchner; biggest pop, Noralou Betters; double bubble, Francis Pignone; oddest shaped, Guy Bonavitacola.

Common—Sandbox contest: 1st, Frederick Hershey; 2d, Edward Gaudette; 3d, Lucille Gaudette. Peanut hunt winners: Donald Green and Eleanor Smith, 1st; Frederick Hershey, 2d. Base ball: Common 4, Deming 1 (first game); Deming 4, Common 2 (second game).

Playground Notes

Here are the special events planned for tonight and tomorrow at the city's playgrounds:

Allendale—Family picnic tonight at 6.30.

Common—Parents are invited to a neighborhood council meeting at 7 tonight. There will be a sandbox contest tomorrow morning at 10.

Abby Lodge—Reflector ovens will be made tomorrow at 10.

Highland—A bubblegum contest tomorrow at 10 AM and plaster molding at 2 PM.

Lakewood—A coloring book hour tomorrow at 1.30; boys' hardball—Lakewood at Coolidge—at 2; community sing at 7.30.

Victory Hill—Scribbling contest at 2.

Osceola—Swimming at Onota Lake tomorrow at 2 and neighborhood council meeting at 7.

Pontoosuc—Checker tournament tomorrow at 2 and a hot dog roast at 6.45.

Deming—Checker tournament tomorrow through Friday. Boys' baseball—Common at 10 AM.

Springside—Peanut hunt tomorrow at 2.

Wahconah—Family hot dog roast tomorrow at 6.45.

West Memorial—Trip to Pontoosuc Lake tomorrow at 10; sandbox contest at 2, and neighborhood council meeting at 7.

Francis—Community sing before the movies tomorrow night.

Clapp—Boys' baseball tomorrow at 10 with Springside; girls' softball at 2 with Coolidge; trip to Pontoosuc Lake at 1.30; neighborhood council meeting at 7.

Results of Recent Playground Events.

Allendale—Coloring book contest: most colorful, Martin Fahey, Virginia Gifford; neatest, Lawrence Fahey, Shirley Ann Christman.

Lakewood—Winners of a special hunt, John Bogino, Donald Manzolini, Patricia Ann Menin, Judith Ann Pasardi.

Three Playgrounds To Be Open on Holiday

Springside, Clapp and the Common are the only playground areas in the city that will be open on the holiday, Saturday.

Playground Notes

The special event at all of the city's playgrounds this week will be a pet show tomorrow morning at 10. In case of rain it will be Friday morning.

Here are the other activities planned for tomorrow:

Crane—Hike to Springside at 11; hot dog roast at 6.30.

Lakewood—Checker tournament at 1.30; a cake sale before the movies.

Victory Hill—Freckle contest at 2 PM.

Allendale—Kite flying in the afternoon.

Wahconah—Girls' softball with Pitt, Wahconah at 7.

Francis—Neighborhood council meeting at 7.

Osceola—Dramatic games, story-telling at 7.30.

Highland—Cake sale before movies tomorrow night.

The Common—Family picnic, hot dog roast at 5.

Playground Results

Victory Hill—Bubblegum winners: Largest, Allyn Anderson; smallest, Patricia Leahey; loudest pop, Karen Nielson; messiest, William Blakeney; longest, Stephen Meacham and Susanne Knox.

Lakewood—Bubblegum winners: Loudest, Patricia Gillette, Lorraine Rilla; biggest, Carol Hickey, Dennis Gioriano; smallest, George Chiacchiaretto, Paula Dominchini.

Record Lineup for Parade

A record total of 29 fire companies from three states will be in the line of march for the firemen's muster parade Saturday, it was announced today.

They will form in eight sections, each headed by a band or drum corps. The roster follows:

FIRST DIVISION

Forms on East Housatonic Street Facing West on Howard Street.

Mayor and City Government.
Eagles' Band.
Naval Reserve Unit.
Seabees Unit.
Seabees Float.
Veterans of Foreign Wars.

SECOND DIVISION

Forms on Howard Street Facing North

Terryville Fire Department.
Terryville Drum Corps.
Coltsville Float.
Canaan Fire Department.
Junior Chamber of Commerce Float.
Falls Village Fire Department.
The Eagle's Float.
Sheffield Fire Department.

THIRD DIVISION

Forms on Pomeroy Avenue, South of East Housatonic Street, Facing North.

Lenox High School Band.
Lenox Fire Department.
Lenox Dale Fire Department.
Miller Supply Float.
Dalton Fire Department.
Float.
Unionville, Conn., Fire Department.
Joe's Lawn Mower Service Float.

FOURTH DIVISION

Forms on Pomeroy Avenue, North of East Housatonic Street, Facing South

Z.N.P. Drum Corps.
Lee Fire Department.
Red Cross No. 1 Float.
John Pauling Company, Sparkhill, N.Y., Fire Department.
Richmond Fire Department.
Richmond Float.
Williamsburg Fire Department.

FIFTH DIVISION

Forms on Bartlett, South of East Housatonic Street, Facing North.

Mrs. Miller's Majorettes.
Mount St. John Drum Corps
Mink Hose Company Rensselaer Fire Department.
Hinsdale Majorettes (Mrs. DeGere).
Hinsdale Fire Department.
Red Cross No. 2 Float.
Lanesboro Fire Department.

SIXTH DIVISION

Forms on Bartlett Avenue, North of East Housatonic Street.

Eagles' Drum Corps.
Adams Fire Department.
Optimists' Float.
Millerton Fire Department.
Grange Float.
Great Barrington Fire Department.
Glendale Fire Department.

SEVENTH DIVISION

Forms on Wendell Avenue, South of East Housatenic Street.

Empire State Grenadiers.
Chatham Fire Department.
Elks' Float.
Canaan Fire Department.
Rensselaer Fire Department.
Interlaken Fire Department.
Massachusetts Department of Conservation.
Parks and Recreation Float.
Gillette Brothers' Calliope.

EIGHTH DIVISION

Forms on Wendell Avenue, North of East Housatonic Street, Facing North.

86th Infantry Band.
Pittsfield Fire Department.
Civilian Defense Float.
Bobby Kidney Float.
Lakewood Civic Float.
Knights of Columbus Float.
Six horses.

Playground Events For Week Listed

The following is the schedule of events at the city's playgrounds next week:

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Monday
Morning—Crane.
Afternoon—Deming.

Tuesday
Morning—Francis.
Afternoon—Highland.

Wednesday
Morning—Lakewood.
Afternoon—Osceola.

Thursday
Afternoon—Pitt.

Friday
Morning—Pontoosuc.
Afternoon—Springside.

MUSIC AND DANCE

Monday
Morning—West.
Afternoon—Victory Hill.

Tuesday
Morning—Wilson Park.
Afternoon—Abby Lodge.

Wednesday
Morning—Allendale.
Afternoon—Clapp.

Thursday
Afternoon—Common.

Friday
Morning—Coolidge.
Afternoon—Crane.

ARCHERY

Monday
Clapp.

Tuesday
Springside.

Wednesday
Deming.

Thursday
Coolidge (PM).
7 PM, Springside—Adult archery.

Friday
Allendale.

MOVIES

Monday
Osceola.
Clapp.

Tuesday
Pitt
Common.

Wednesday
Pontoosuc.
Coolidge.

Thursday
Springside.
Crane.

Friday
Wahconah.
Deming.

SPECIAL EVENTS—DANCES, ETC.

Thursday
Doll Show at 10 AM.

SPORTS DIRECTOR—6 PM

Monday—Clapp, Highland, Osceola.
Tuesday—Springside, Highland, Lakewood.
Wednesday—Allendale, Highland, Pitt.
Thursday—Allendale, Highland, Common.
Friday—Highland.

NATURE SUPERVISOR

Monday—7-8—Allendale.
Tuesday—1.30-5—Common.
Tuesday—6.30-9—Coolidge.

RECREATION STAFF SHIFTS ANNOUNCED

Pittsfield, July 1—Because of the resignation of Mrs. Ann MacVicor Jordan as supervisor of recreation for the Park Department, several important changes in the staff were announced this morning. Mrs. Jordan, who will assist on a part time basis as of today, will continue to take charge o fthe Golden Age Club and the Young Adult group.

Miss Marilyn Thompson, director of Lakewood playground, will assume most of Mrs. Jordan's duties. Miss Thompson has been with the Park Department for the past three seasons, serving as leader and director at Pitt playground. Patricia Drennan will move up from leader and director to director at Lakewood and Mrs. Mary Legg has been appointed as the new leader at Lakewood.

Playground Notes

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Here are the other activities planned for tomorrow:

Crane—Hike to Springside at 11; hot dog roast at 6.30.

Lakewood—Checker tournament at 1.30; a cake sale before the movies.

Victory Hill—Freckle contest at 2 PM.

Allendale—Kite flying in the afternoon.

Wahconah—Girls' softball with Pitt, Wahconah at 7.

Francis—Neighborhood council meeting at 7.

Osceola—Dramatic games, story-telling at 7.30.

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Safety Program On Playgrounds To Be Discussed

7/6/53

Mrs. Jane A. Krook will discuss the summer safety program at the second playground workshop of the season tonight at 6.30 at the Girls' Club. Mrs. Krook is a member of the safety committee along with Police Officer William Noon and James H. Lucas, executive secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

This committee shortly expects to make periodical inspections of the city's playgrounds and will award a banner to the area they feel is the safest.

Playground leaders and directors will turn in ideas for their Mardi gras floats tonight. Work on floats and costumes for the festival will start this week. The Mardi gras parade is scheduled for July 21.

Doll Shows Tomorrow at All Playgrounds

7/8/53

All 18 of the city's parks and playgrounds will hold doll shows tomorrow morning at 10. In case of rain, this event will take place Friday morning at the same time.

Here are the other special events planned tomorrow:

Deming—Baseball game with Wahconah at 2 PM.
Crane—Trip to Pontoosuc Lake at 1.30; candy sale before the movies at 7 PM.
Lakewood—Hike for older girls at 1.30 and a family picnic at 6.
Highland—Checker contest at 2 and a practice session for the playground harmonica band at 7.
Common—Bathing beauty contest at 2 PM.
Clapp—Soap carving at 2; picnic lunch on the playground at 12. Baseball game with Deming at Deming at 2 and a girls' volleyball game with the Common at the Common at 7.
Abby Lodge—Family hot dog roast at 6.30.
Victory Hill—Hot dog roast at noon.
Francis—Building of a playground fireplace all afternoon.
Pontoosuc—Magazine scavenger hunt at 2 PM.
Coolidge—Hot dog roast at 6.30 PM.
Wahconah—Boys' baseball for boys over 14 with Deming at Deming at 2.
Allendale—Belt-making at 11.15; making butterfly nets at 3.
Springside—Marshmallow roast at 7.

Playground Results

Francis—Winners of girls' checker tournament: Michelle Barille. Finalists were Mary Arpante, Carol Maloney, Angela Furlong and Elaine Faulkenbush. Winner of the boys' checker tournament was Francis Millette, with Richard Faulkenbush, Peter Pagones and Donald Neforos as finalists. Michelle Barille defeated Francis Milette for the playground checker championship of the week.
Victory Hill—Winners of scribbling contest: Over 9, 1st, Edward King; 2d, Lawrence Keefer. Age 6-8: 1st, Kevin Curley; 2d, Ronald Hooper. Five and under: 1st, Madeline Riello; 2d, Linda Carlon. Judge, Mrs. Richard F. Carlon.
Lakewood—Winners of the checker tournament: Edward Donati and Keith Hover. Winners of the pony-tail contest: Diane Pullaro (shortest), Judith Zaveruka (prettiest), Diane Munger (curliest), and Gloria Passerini (longest). Winners of sandbox building contest: Michael Knox, Donald Rilla and Richard Scullary.

Allengate Site Recommended For Playground

7/10/53

The Planning Board has voted to recommend that the City Council acquire by eminent domain a 2½ acre site on the Allengate tract, between Brighton and Windsor Avenues, for use as a public playground.

The site is owned by Harold J. Bridgman and was designated as a prospective park area in his original subdivision plans for the Allengate area. Mr. Bridgman subsequently asked the Planning Board for permission to build homes on the site, contending that residents of the area didn't want it developed as a playground.

The Planning Board refused to grant Mr. Bridgman's request after many Allengate residents denied that they had ever expressed disinterest in the playground project. The board also contended that the site didn't have adequate access to the street for building development.

The board's recommendation to the City Council was adopted at a meeting last night. Parks Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert has inspected the site and has informed the board that it is suitable for playground use.

Playground Notes

7/6/53

Special events tonight and tomorrow at the city's parks and playgrounds follow:

Victory Hill—Neighborhood council meeting tonight at 7.

Crane—Penny carnival tomorrow night at 6.30; refreshments, prizes and carnival booths.

Playground Results

Pitt—Stuffed animal show winners: Prettiest, Joseph Garzone; largest, Judith Demary and Mary Ann Luciani; smallest, Joan Drozd; most original, Joan Moore; most colorful, Allen Skowron; most lifelike, Peter Skowron.

West—Crazy hat contest winners: Tyril Keyes, Lita Kassimer, Neoma Keyes, Suzanne Campoli, Wendy Hall and Roberta Kassimer. Sandbox contest winners: Judith Chaffee, Irene Hespelein, Tyril Keyes.

Clapp—Scribbling contest winners: 1st, Howard Gerlack; 2d, Marion Hashim; 3d, Kevin Magner.

Playgrounds Plan Crepe Paper, Copper Work Programs

7/13/53

Crepe paper and copper work will be emphasized for the next two weeks in Park Department playground arts and crafts programs, Marion J. Felton, supervisor, has announced.

Crepe paper dish mats and cups, and copper pins with animal silhouettes will be made during the classes. Miss Felton said that children have already completed work with felt materials and leather comb cases, purses and picture frames. Leather arm guards have also been made for archery pupils.

Miss Felton, who is supervising work on the Mardi gras floats and costumes, will exhibit many arts and crafts items made by the children in an exhibition next month at Park Square.

Wand Shoots Top Program For Playgrounds

7/7/53

Archery supervisor Maureen Vincent has announced that wand shoots are being given as the special event in the archery program this week at all five areas. In this shoot a strip of paper is placed lengthwise over the center of the target and all arrows hitting this strip are scored as 10 points. No other hits on the target outside this strip count for points.

Here are the other playground events planned for tomorrow:

Crane—Clean-up contest at 10; scribble contest at 11 AM.
Allendale—Work on the playground talent show from 3-5.
West—Carom tournament at 10; soap carving at 2.30.
Lakewood—Neighborhood council meeting at 7 PM.
Highland—Trip to Onota Lake from 10.30 until 4. Playground dance at 8 PM.
Common—Crazy hat contest at 10; trip to Pontoosuc at 2 PM.
Clapp—Girls' volleyball, Clapp vs Pitt, at 7 PM. Lemonade and popcorn sale before the movies.

Abby Lodge—Checker tournament at 2.
Victory Hill—Clay modeling at 10.
Wahconah—Hot dog roast at 6.30.
Francis—Neighborhood council meeting at 7.
Osceola—Neighborhood council meeting at 7.
Wilson—Kite day, all day.
Pontoosuc—Trip to Pontoosuc Lake at 1.30.
Coolidge—Sandbox contest at 2; Girls' softball at 7 PM.

Playground Results

Allendale—Safety patrol for this week: Anthony Polidoro, John Polidoro, Charles Pansecchi, Richard Pansecchi and Grant MacLeod.

Carnival Nets Total of $60 At Playground

7/9/53

A crowd of 300 attended a penny carnival at Crane Playground Tuesday night. A total of $60 was netted for the playground treasury. Carol Merriam of 20 Dartmouth Street won a cake, and John C. Murphy of 25 Pittsfield Avenue won a basket of food.

Mrs. Rita S. Merriam organized the carnival. She was assisted by Robert M. Rhodes, Edmund C. Hebler, David Congress, Mrs. Lillian Sitzman and Mrs. Dorothy M. Bercury.

The following events are scheduled tomorrow at the city's playgrounds:

Deming—Baseball contest at 10; baseball game with Coolidge at 2 PM.
Lakewood—Sandbox contest at 10.30; peanut hunt at 1.30; girls' softball at 6 PM.
Highland—Cleanup contest at 10; water color painting at 2.
Common—Nature hunt at 10.
Victory Hill—Kool-aid and popcorn sale at 2.
Francis—Checker tournament at 2.
Wilson—Horseshoe tournament at 11.
Pontoosuc—Sand sculpture contest at 2.
Clapp—Crazy hat contest at 2.
Abby Lodge—Trip to Pleasant Valley Sanctuary for all children at 12.
Wahconah—Marshmallow roast at 8.
Allendale—Peanut hunt and bubblegum contest at 10. Finger painting at 2.
Springside—Bubblegum contest at 11.
West—Topsy turvy day all day.

Playground Results:
West—Winners of bubblegum contest: Biggest, Judith Chaffee and Raymond Giguere; smallest Priscilla Frigmann, Albert Couture and Edward Casella; messiest, Judith Chaffee and Raymond Giguere; loudest, William Wilson and Thomas Donahue.

Playgrounders To Get Instruction In Roller Skating

7/13/53

City playgrounders will don roller skates tomorrow for the first in a series of Park Department programs at Broyle's Arena on Dalton Avenue.

The management of the arena has donated its facilities for roller skating every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 9.30 to 12. Roller skates will be provided all children, and instructors will be available to help novices.

Paygrounders must have parental permission slips.

'On Wheels Day' Slated Thursday At Playgrounds

7/13/53

An "On Wheels Day" Thursday will be the special event at all 18 of the city's playgrounds this week. Prizes will be awarded for the best decorated bicycle, tricycle, wagon or scooter.

Monday's playground activities follow:

Abby Lodge—Picnic lunch at 12.
Lakewood—Mural work at 10.15; coloring book contest at 1.30.
Common—Coloring book contest, scribbling contest at 10.
Victory Hill—Neighborhood council meeting at 7 PM.
Francis—Stencil drawing at 2.
Coolidge—Baseball game with Wahconah at 2 PM for boys 8-13.
Clapp—Checker contest at 2.
Wahconah—Peanut day all day (peanut hunt, peanut tossing contests).
Allendale—Trip to Onota Lake from 10.30 until 4.
Crane—Peanut hunt at 1.30.

Playground Results

Springside—Winners of bubblegum contest: Largest—Francis Rilla; smallest, Francis Novaris; loudest, Linda St. Peter; messiest, Peter Curley.
Coolidge—Winners of sandbox contest: Francis Penesco, Robert Decker and Gerald Powers.
Pontoosuc—Winners of magazine scavenger hunt: Jon Ahlen, Linda Quaglietti, Michael Wheeler and Allen Cooke. Winners of the sand sculpture contest: Most original—Michael Eastland and Jon Ahlen; prettiest—Phyllis Paige and Diane Hinckley; biggest—Thomas Webster, Leonard Pruyne and William Webster; most complicated—Douglas Balmer.
Lakewood—Winners of the crazy hat contest: Keith Hover, Diane Pullard, John Bogino and Diane Munger.
Deming—Winners for scavenger hunt: Richard McCartney, Thomas McCartney, John O'Neil and Daniel Connors. Boys' baseball: Deming 3—Clapp 2.

Archery Class Slated Tonight At Springside

7/15/53

An adult archery class will be held tonight at 7 on the lawn at Springside House. Instruction will be given during the regular weekly meeting of the Park Department's Young Adult Group.

The special event this week at the city's playgrounds will be an "on wheels day" tomorrow morning at 10. Prizes will be given for the best decorated tricycle, bicycle, wagon or scooter.

Other playgrounds events scheduled tomorrow are as follows:

Springside—Food sale at 2.
Lakewood—Meeting of entire playground at 11 to discuss Mardi gras; election of king and queen at 1.30; fireplace building at 3.
Common—Marshmallow roast at 2.
Highland—Girls' softball with Wahconah at 6.30.
Francis—Button contest at 2.
Coolidge—Meeting of the neighborhood council at 7.
Clapp—Marshmallow roast at 7.
Victory Hill—Peanut hunt at 2 PM.
Crane—Amateur hour at 7 PM.

Playground Results

Lakewood—Winners of sandbox contest: Michael, Knox, Donald Rilla, Keith Hover and John Rilla. Peanut hunt winners: Christine Edda and Henry Barzottini.
Victory Hill—Safety patrol for these two weeks: Cassius Johnson, Patricia Knox and Lawrence Keefner.
Coolidge—Girls' softball: Coolidge 14, Clapp 3.
Abby Lodge—Winner of the boxing match: Arthur Fillault.
Francis—Winners of carrom tournament: Boys' winner, Peter Pagones; boys' finalists, Richard Falkenbush and Stephen Trepania; girls' winner, Linda Pagones. Peter Pagones defeated Linda Pagones for the playground championship of the week.

Playgrounds Preparing for Mardi Gras

7/16/53

Annual Parade Scheduled Here Tuesday Night

The most gala event of the 1953 Park Department playground season, the eighth annual Mardi gras celebration, will be observed here next Tuesday night.

High light of the show is the colorful parade of playground floats, scheduled to begin at 7.30. The parade, as has been the case in past years, will be followed by a costume contest and movies on the Common, and a free dance at the Masonic Temple.

Preliminary work on the construction of floats has started at all 18 of the city's playgrounds. Each area will be represented by its own float to be judged on several themes. A change in judging rules this year makes it possible for every float to win a prize in its own division.

Banners for Winners

First-place floats will receive banners. Others will be awarded ribbons. Miss Marion J. Felton, playground arts and crafts supervisor, is in over-all charge of the floats.

Individual costumes will be judged on a basis of most grotesque, most unusual, prettiest and funniest. In addition, prizes will be given for the best decorated bicycle, tricycle, scooter, wagon and pet. Participation by the various playgrounds will also be judged.

Climax of the celebration will be the selection and crowning of the new king and queen. Each playground area will have its own candidates for this honor. The new monarchs will be crowned by last year's royal pair.

Tomorrow's Events on The Playgrounds

7/14/53

Here are the playground events planned for tomorrow:

Francis—Magazine scavenger hunt at 2.
Pontoosuc—Checker-making at 2; hot dog roast and cake sale at 6.45.
Coolidge—Baseball game with Clapp at Coolidge at 10 AM.
Wahconah—Peanut day, all day; hot dog roast at 6.45.
Clapp—Flower-making for the Mardi gras float at 10; stuffed animal contest at 2.30.
Abby Lodge—Hot dog roast at 6.30.
Victory Hill—Plaster of paris crafts at 10; fudge sale before the movies.
Deming—Trip to Pontoosuc Lake from 10-4.
Wilson Park—Crazy hat contest at 10.
Crane—Amateur show and cake sale at 6.30.
West—Coloring book contest at 10; marshmallow roast and community sing at 7.
Springside—Freckle contest at 11.
Lakewood—Trip to Onota Lake at 10; girls' softball practice at 6.30.
Common—Relay races at 10; trip to Pontoosuc Lake at 2.
Osceola—Meeting of the neighborhood at 7.

Playground Results

Wahconah—Winners of bubblegum contest: First bubble blown, Hazel Engwer; biggest bubble, Ruth Breton; smallest bubble, Patricia Parslow; craziest bubble, Josephine Daviau; double bubble, Donna Karpeck; most gum on face, Walter Mierzejewski; best bubble, Walter Mierzejewski. Girls' softball, Wahconah 14, Pitt 4. Walter Mierzejewski and Roger Dean officiated as umpires.
Common—Scavenger hunt: 1st prize, Francis Connors. Winners of crazy hat contest: 1st, Patricia Herrick; 2d, James Kane; 3d, Francis and Robert Connors. Safety patrol for this week: Joseph Joyce (squad leader), Robert Connors, Francis Connors, Donald Green and Michael DiCicco.

New Playground Endorsed by City Council

7/15/53

The City Council has endorsed the Planning Board's recommendation for establishing a new city playground on a two-acre tract between Allengate and Windsor Avenues in the Allen Heights area.

By unanimous vote, the Council referred the recommendation to Mayor Capeless with the request that he initiate steps to acquire the property, which is owned by real estate developer Harold J. Bridgman.

The site was set aside for a playground several years ago in Mr. Bridgman's original plans for developing the Allen Heights area, but he subsequently tried to get the plans changed on the grounds that residents of the area didn't want a playground after all. The residents denied this, and the Planning Board refused to let Mr. Bridgman build on the site.

Candy Sale Nets $15 at Crane Area

7/16/53

More than 250 persons attended a candy sale at Crane Playground last night and a total of $15.55 was netted for the playground treasury. Parents in the neighborhood who organized the sale were Mrs. Edmund C. Hebler, Mrs. Rita S. Merriam, Mrs. Lillian Sitzman, Mrs. Margaret M. Lavelle, Mrs. Carl H. Martin, Mrs. Robert LeClair and Mrs. Harold C. Olsen.

Activities at the city's playgrounds tomorrow follow:

Coolidge—Bike hike and fishing trip at 10 AM.
Francis—Soap carving and checker and carrom tournament at 2.
Highland—Clean-up hour at 10; coloring book session at 2.
Lakewood—Relay races at 10; marshmallow roast at 1.30.
Springside—Story telling hours at 11.
Pontoosuc—Trip to Pontoosuc Lake at 1.30.
Abby Lodge—Trip to Pontoosuc Lake at 11.
Deming—Bubblegum contest at 2.
Wilson Park—Checker tournament at 10.
Crane—Trip to Pontoosuc at 1.30.
Victory Hill—Neighborhood council meeting following a marshmallow roast at 7.
Clapp—Sandbox contest at 2; boys' baseball with Wahconah at 2.
Allendale—Scribbling contest at 10; bathing beauty contest at 2.

Playground Results

Allendale—Winners of peanut hunt: Blue peanut, Rosemary Herbert; red peanut, Linda Gaston; yellow peanut, Lynden Gimblette; white peanut, Rollette Parent; most peanuts, Lynden Gimblette. Winners of bubblegum contest: Biggest bubble, Rosemary Herbert; smallest, Ann Marie Spagnola; messiest, Linda Gaston; loudest pop, Anthony Polidoro.
Crane—Winners of scribbling contest: 1st prize, (6-year-old group)—Eloise Erbin; 1st prize (9-year-old group)—Ann Marie Sitzman; 1st prize (11-year-old group)—Richard Ravizza. Honorable mention: Carol Barosso, Charles Barosso and Carol Merriam. Winners of clean-up contest: 1st, Chester Hover and Paul Hebler; 2d, Charles Barosso and Peter Barosso. Peanut hunt winners: Allan Bongini (colored peanut prize); Carol Merriam (most peanuts).
Wahconah—Girls' softball: Wahconah 14, Pitt 4; Pitt 37, Wahconah 6. In the Pitt victory, Diane Duval was the winning pitcher and Yvonne Duval had two home runs for the winners.

Age Limit Set For Victory Hill Playground Use

7/15/53

Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert said today that facilities at Victory Hill playground for the next two weeks will be limited to children between 5 and 10 years old.

In taking this action, Mr. Hebert explained he had granted a request made recently by the Victory Hill neighborhood council. The new arrangement will be tried for two weeks, because, at present, there is not enough equipment or space to take care of older children who ordinarily would use the area.

Mr. Hebert suggested that boys and girls over 10 should use facilities at Crane, Allendale or Springside playgrounds. He said that small children under five may use Victory Hill if accompanied by a parent or baby sitter.

Best Majorette In Mardi Gras To Receive Prize

7/17/53

The Park Department has announced it will award a special prize to the best drum majorette to march in the eighth annual Mardi gras parade Tuesday night.

Majorettes interested in competing for a $5 gift certificate from England Brothers should report with their playground unit before the start of the parade at 7:30 PM. Contestants will be judged from a reviewing stand in Park Square.

The winner will be announced at the Common after the parade.

David C. Wood Graduates From Drew University

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David C. Wood

MADISON, N.J.—David C. Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leavitt L. Wood of 63 Strong Avenue, Pittsfield, Mass., was awarded the bachelor of arts degree at Drew University's 86th commencement today.

A graduate of Pittsfield High School in 1949, Wood majored in psychology in Drew's College of Liberal Arts. He was president of the psychology club and a member of the college chapel choir.

He plans to do graduate work in clinical psychology at Boston University.

Officials Listed For Mardi Gras

7/18/53

Officials have been announced for the eighth annual playground Mardi gras, which will take place next Tuesday evening at 7.30 under the sponsorship of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Parade marshal this year will once again be Gustaf G. Pilblad Jr., while George F. "Hap" Milne will be master of ceremonies for the proceedings at the Common after the parade.

Judges for the floats will be Mrs. Russell D. Bousquet, Miss Bertha Yeager and James D. Lucas. Majorettes in the line of march will be judged by Miss Patricia Sinclair, Miss Shirley Frenier and Miss Lucille Murphy.

In the judging at the Common, this year's king and queen will be named by Mrs. Elliot M. Preble, Mrs. Frank E. Eck and Joseph J. Canavan. Playground participation will be judged by Mr. and Mrs. Malcom Aldrich.

Two Bands To Play for Mardi Gras

7/20/53

Musicians' Union Contributes to Event Tomorrow

The VFW and the Eagles' bands will provide music for tomorrow night's eighth annual Mardi gras celebration. Both groups will donate their services, with the Eagles' appearance made possible by Local 109, American Federation of Musicians, through a grant of the music performance trust fund of the American recording and television industry.

The Musicians' Union also will provide funds for music at a free dance after the parade at the Masonic Temple. Pete Soldato and his orchestra will play at the dance, which starts at 9.

Safety slogan contests will be conducted at all 18 of the city's playgrounds this month, the Park Department has announced. All playgrounders are eligible and entries must be turned in to leaders or directors by Friday, July 31.

Miss Marion J. Felton, arts and crafts supervisor, Miss Carolyn J. Willis, music and dance supervisor, and Miss Maureen H. Vincent, archery supervisor, will pick a winner from each area. From the 18 finalists the playground safety committee will choose the ultimate winner. Mrs. Jane A. Krook, James H. Lucas and Police Officer William J. Noon are on the committee.

Arts, Crafts Canceled for Mardi Gras

7/18/53

Because of the Mardi gras celebration Tuesday night, Marion Felton, arts and crafts supervisor, will not visit city playgrounds according to her regular schedule next week. Instead, she will spend Monday and Tuesday assisting leaders and directors with floats for the parade. Music and dance supervisor Carolyn Willis and archery supervisor Maureen Vincent will make her regular visits Monday, but will spend Tuesday working on Mardi gras preparations.

The week's schedule:

Day	Arts and Crafts
Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Morning—Victory Hill Afternoon—Crane
Thursday	Afternoon—Deming
Friday	Morning—Francis Afternoon—Highland s
Monday	**Music and Dance** Morning—Deming Afternoon—Victory Hill
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Morning—West Afternoon—Wilson
Thursday	Afternoon—Allendale
Friday	Morning—Abby Lodge Afternoon—Clapp
Monday	**Archery** Clapp
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Morning—Deming Afternoon—Adult Archery, 7 PM
Thursday	Coolidge (PM)
Friday	Allendale
Monday	**Movies** Allendale Springside
Tuesday	Common
Wednesday	Clapp Osceola
Thursday	Coolidge Wahconah
Friday	Crane West

SPECIAL EVENTS (Dances, Etc.)
Tuesday, 7.30 PM, Mardi Gras.
Thursday, 10 AM, Baby Show and Diaper Derby.

SPORTS DIRECTORS (6.00 PM)
Monday—Clapp, Highland, Osceola.
Tuesday—Springside, Highland, Lakewood.
Wednesday—Allendale, Highland, Pitt.
Thursday—Allendale, Highland, Common.
Friday—Common.

NATURE SUPERVISOR
Monday, 7.00-8.00—Highland; **Thursday, 1.30-500**—Clapp; **Thursday (6.30-9.00)** — Pontoosuc.

7/21/53

PITTSFIELD
BIG PLAYFIELD EVENT TONIGHT WITH PARADE

Majorette, Costume Contests and Dance On Program

Pittsfield, July 20—The Park Department has been assured of plenty of music for tomorrow night's eighth annual mardi gras parade. The VFW band will march along with the Eagle's band, which will split up into two groups. Services of both bands will be donated, with funds for the Eagles' appearance made possible by Local 109 of the American Federation of Musicians.

The parade, scheduled to start at 7.30, will be followed by a costume contest and movies on the Common. A free dance will be given at 9 at the Masonic Temple after the parade with the Musicians' Union providing the funds for the dance. Pete Soldato and his orchestra will play for the dance.

A special prize will be awarded to the best drum majorette, the Park Department has announced. Majorettes interested in competing for a $5 gift certificate from England Brothers should report at their playground unit before the start of the parade. Judging will be from a reviewing stand in Park Square and the winner will be announced at the Common after the parade.

All 18 of the city's parks and playgrounds will conduct safety slogan contests this month to emphasize safety on the playgrounds. All entries must be handed in to playground leaders and directors by July 31. Anyone on any playground is eligible to enter. Miss Marion J. Felton, supervisor of arts and crafts; Miss Carolyn J. Willis, supervisor of music and dance, and Miss Maureen H. Vincent, supervisor of archery, will pick a winner from each of the playgrounds and from these 18 finalists a city-wide winner will be selected by the playground safety committee. This committee is composed of Mrs. Jane A. Krook, James H. Lucas and Patrolman William J. Noon.

Playground Events

7/21/53

Here are the special events planned for tomorrow at the city's playgrounds:

Francis—Scavenger cleanup hunt at 10.
Abby Lodge—Trip to Pontoosuc Lake at 10.30; hot dog roast at 6.30.
Springside—Marshmallow roast at 7.
Wilson—Horseshoe tournament at 10.
Crane—Cleanup contest at 10.
Deming—Trip to Onota from 10.30-4.30.
West—Checker tournament at 10.
Allendale—Checker contest at 2.
Highland—Trip to Pontoosuc from 10.30-4. Volleyball game (girls vs boys) at 7.
Clapp—Peanut hunt at 2.30; girls' volleyball with Pitt at 7.
Common—Freckle contest at 10.30; trip to Pontoosuc Lake at 2; girls' sofeball with Pontoosuc at 7; boys' baseball game with Lakewood at 7.
Coolidge—Horseshoe contest at 2.
Wahconah—Hot dog roast at 6.30; softball game with the Common at 7.
Victory Hill—Checker tournament at 2.
Lakewood—Trip to Onota Lake at 10.30.

Playground Results

Abby Lodge—Winners of horseshoe tournament: Arthur Filiault and Roger Beaulieu.
West—Winners of coloring book contest: Barbara Chafee, William Blankenburg, Tyril Keyes and Neoma Keyes. Winners of scribble contest: Sandra Vidal, Edward Casella, Barbara Chafee and Barbara Zorbo.
Crane—Winners of amateur hour: First, Barbara Keyes; second, Shara Curry; third, Paul Kahill and Mary Kelly.

Plouffe

BLUEBIRD OPENS CHILDREN'S AREA: New play equipment for children was used for the first time this week end at the Women's Club summer camp, Bluebird, at Richmond Pond. The four-swing set and 16-foot chute were installed in cement last week by the Park Department maintenance crew. Also in the area are sand boxes, an Indian teepee, picnic tables and fireplaces. More than 450, including a group from the GE chemical division and the I-Doers of the First Methodist Church, used the camp facilities yesterday and Saturday. The camp is open to the public for a small fee.

7/21/53

1200 Playground Children To Take Part in Mardi Gras

More than 1200 vividly costumed children are expected to move out of Park Square at 7.30 tonight in the eighth annual Park Department midsummer Mardi gras parade.

They will be accompanied in the line of march up North Street, across Maplewood Avenue and down First Street to the Common by gaily decorated floats assembled at the city's 18 playgrounds.

The parade yearly high light of the summer playground season, will be split into four units.

Led by Officials

The first, to include City Councilmen, park commissioners and last summer's king and queen, will form on Pomeroy Avenue. The second, composed of playground floats from Wilson Park, Victory Hill, West Memorial, Wahconah, Springside and Pontoosuc, will assemble on Bartlett Avenue.

The third unit, made up of floats from Pitt, Osceola, Highland, Lakewood, Francis and Deming, will line up on Wendell Avenue, while the last unit, with floats from Crane, Coolidge, the Common, Clapp, Allendale and Abbey Lodge, will form on Wendell Avenue Extension.

The units will move out in that order. At the point of the parade will be veteran Marshal Gustaf G. Pilblad, who is expected to be dressed in one of his remarkable costumes.

The parade will break up when it reaches the Common. There participating playgrounders will be judged for their originality and ingenuity in costume selection.

Prizes To Be Given

Prizes will be awarded to children with the most grotesque, most unusual, prettiest and funniest attires. There will also be awards for the best decorated carriage, bicycle, pet, scooter and tricycle.

George (Hap) Milne will act as master of ceremonies for festivities at the Common.

Judges on a stand at Park Square will decide which floats best depict a children's story, current event, foreign country and musical theme. The most original and beautiful floats will also win awards.

Costume judging at the Common will be climaxed with the crowning of new monarchs by last year's royal pair—seven-year-old Jacqueline Anne Cockrill and nine-year-old John Polidoro.

The evening's festivities will end with a free dance at the Masonic Temple on South Street. Pete Soldato and his orchestra will play.

7/22/53

Geoffry Rainor, Judy Quinn Chosen Mardi Gras Royalty

Pittsfield, July 21 — The annual playground mardi gras parade was held tonight and it was the consensus of all who watched that this year's event outdistanced all previous efforts in color and imagination displayed in the more than 30 floats that made up the 40 minute parade.

The threatening weather apparently kept the crowd of watchers to below the usual level, with an estimated 9000 persons lined along the sidewalks. Thunder showers had threatened for over an hour before the first band moved out right on the dot of 7.30, the advertised starting time.

Geoffry Rainor and Judy Quinn of Allendale were named king and queen of mardi gras for 1953.

Prizes for the best floats in six classes went to Osceola for the most original, a sugar plum tree; West Memorial, with "Somewhere over the Rainbow," had the best musical theme; "Sunbonnet Sue" won for Springside in the most beautiful contest, "The family that prays together," as depicted by Highland playground, won the prize for the best current event, and "Robin Hood" from Allendale was judged the best children's story float.

Joan Saldo, Lee Cassimer and Mary Louise Riddle took the three majorette prizes.

There were 950 children in the parade and Wilson playground had the highest percentage participating. Allendale and Francis placed second and third.

7/21/53

Playgrounds Will Feature Baby Show

A baby show and diaper derby will be featured at all 18 city playgrounds tomorrow morning at 10. In case of rain, the event will be Friday morning.

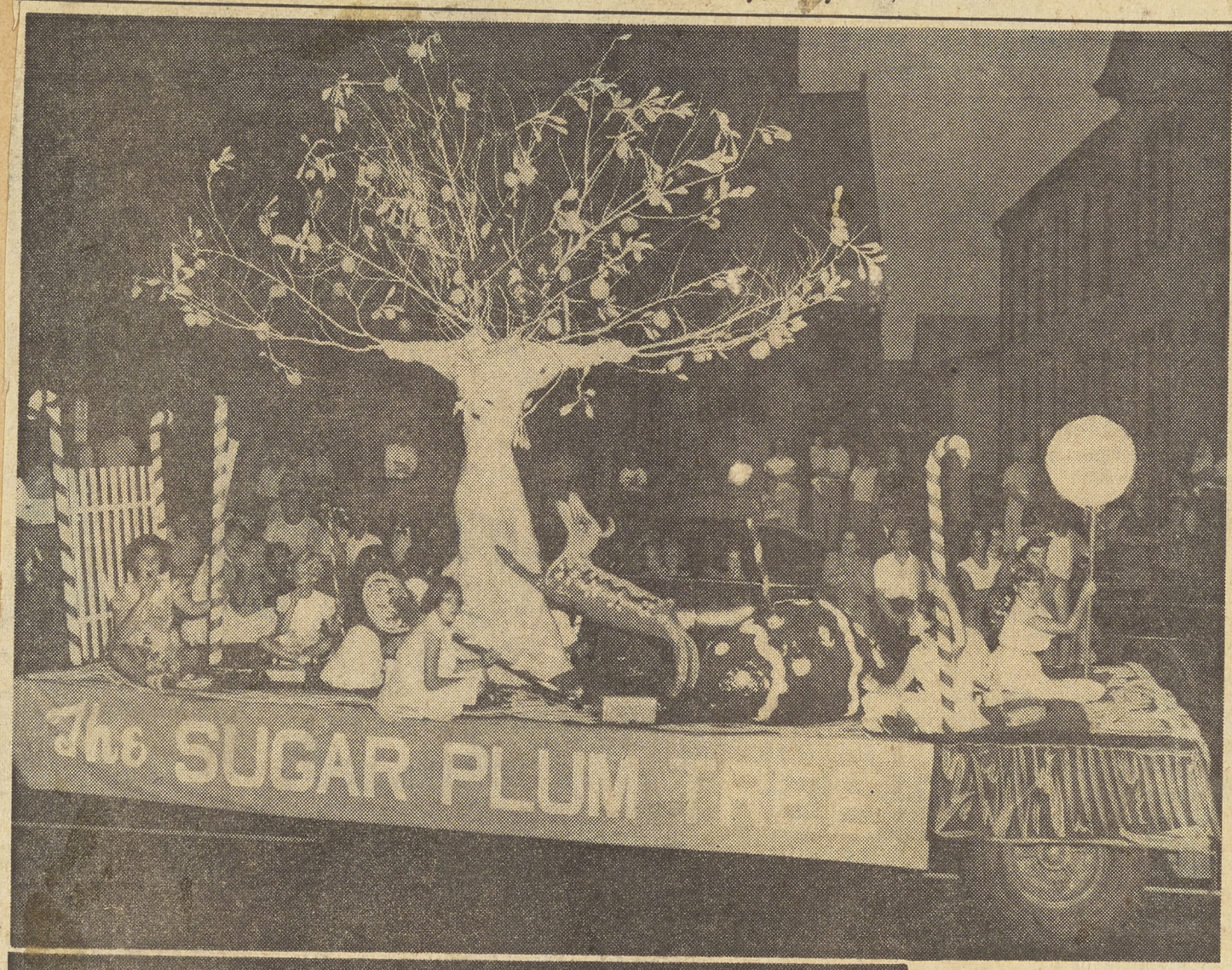
Other playground activities tomorrow are:

Lakewood—Sandbox contest at 11; safety patrol meeting and hike for boys at 2 PM.
Wahconah—Softball game with Clapp at Clapp at 7 PM.
Coolidge—Popcorn sale before the movies.
Common—Coloring book contest at 2.
Highland—Making a fireplace at 2; candy hunt at 7.
West—Talent show at 7 PM.
Crane—Hot dog roast at 7.
Springside—Checker tournament at 2.
Abby Lodge—Pony tail contest at 2.
Francis—Picture hunt contest at 2.
Pontoosuc—Trip to Pontoosuc Lake at 1.30.

Playground Results

Common—Winners of relay races: Running broad jump, Michael White; 100-yard dash, Carmen Carlopoli; standing broad jump, Michael White and George Fiehrer; 50-yard dash, Earl Lunt and Patricia White; three-legged race, Francis Connors and Joseph Joyce. Winning team (won 3 out of 5 team races)—Francis Connors, Philip Lunt, Joseph Joyce, Carmen Carlopoli, George Fiehrer.

Clapp—Winners in stuffed animal show: Largest, Donald Betit, Donna Arpante and Elaine Arpante; smallest, Nancy Brown and Madeline McNine; most unusual, Joyce Zopf, Victoria Scalini, Donald Betit, Thomas Finn and Beth Provost; cuddliest, Donna Merletto and Ralph Scalvini. Winners of bubblegum contest: Biggest, Nancy Richmany and Paul Procopio; smallest, Candice Procopio and Genevieve Magner; funniest, Helen Procopio and Joan Kuzsa; roundest, Genevieve Magner, Donald Betit and Anthony Renzi.



ORIGINALITY: Osceola playground's float, "Sugar Plum Tree," was chosen the most original theme in the parade. It's seen here as it looked during last night's Mardi gras.

PLAYGROUND ROYALTY: Allendale playgrounders Judith Quinn and Jeffrey Rayner were crowned last night king and queen of the 1953 Mardi gras festival. Doing the crowing here are last year's royal couple, Jacqueline Anne Cockrill and John Polidoro, also of Allendale. Between 8000 and 9000 people watched.

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8000 See Mardi Gras Parade Of Floats and 700 Children

By JOHN VANDER VOORT

Though somewhat smaller than a year ago, last night's eighth annual Mardi gras celebration lacked nothing in color and festivity.

Despite threatening weather, a crowd, fixed by police at between 8000 and 9000 people, lined the main streets of the city to watch the Park Department's playgrounders strut on their big occasion.

Approximately 700 children marched in the parade and nearly double that number were on hand for the costume-judging afterward at the Common.

36 Trucks

The parade, which included 36 trucks, cars, bikes and carriages, wound up North Street, across Maplewood Avenue and down First Street to the Common. Sidewalks were lined solidly the entire route.

Youngsters and their parents applauded and yelled as each of the 18 playground floats passed.

At the head of the line of march was Chief Marshal Gustaf G. Pilblad Jr., and his two aides. Gus was dressed in what he said was a native Swedish dancing costume. He claimed everything but the hat came from the "old country."

Assistant Russell Bousquet drew numerous glances in a black-lace Carmen gown. Plenty of lipstick and rouge and a few artificial curves added in the right places gave his outfit a decided tinge of authenticity.

The other aide, Lorenzo Herbs, was attired in the home-made gypsy outfit worn by Gus Pilblad during the 1952 show.

But, as usual, the climax of the observance was the announcement of float winners. And this year every float entered won a prize.

Chosen the most beautiful float in the parade was Springside Park's "Sun Bonnet Sue," a delicately contrived farmland scene. Pontoosuc's "Court of the Heavens" was second, and Francis' Maypole theme was third.

Allendale playgrounders fashed a "Robin Hood" float, and it was good enough to win first prize in the children's story division. The Common was runner-up with "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," and Abby Lodge was third with "Peter Pan."

Highland's portrait of "The Family That Prays Together Stays Together," a story with a spiritual message, took first prize in the current events division. Pitt's illustration of the queen's coronation was second, and Wahconah's float picturing a professional wrestling bout was third.

Crane Wins

Crane's Egyptian scene, "A Village Along the Nile," won top honors for the float best depicting a foreign country. Wilson Park playgrounders were second with a portrait of Hawaii, and Victory Hill's "Han Christian Anderson" was third.

West's "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" won in the musical theme division. Clapp's "Sing a Song of Sixpence" was second, and Coolidge's "I'm Walking Behind You," a wedding scene, was third.

Osceola playground had a float called the "Sugar Plum Tree." It was good enough to win first prize in the most-original class. Deming's "Jack and the Beanstalk" was second, and Lakewood's "Circus" was third.

Without exception, all of the floats showed imagination and ingenuity. But the job never could have been completed without the untiring help of the playground leaders, under the direction of Miss Marion J. Felton, arts and crafts supervisor.

Royalty Chosen

The float competition, however, was only part of the big Mardi gras festival. The crowd, seated in the bleachers at the Common, held its breath as the 1953 king and queen were announced and crowned.

Reigning monarch, chosen from candidates from all playgrounds, are little nine-year-old Judith Quinn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Quinn of 116 Connecticut Avenue, and Jeffrey Rayner, nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Rayner of 28 Delaware Avenue.

Judith and Jeffrey were crowned by last summer's king and queen, John Polidoro and Jacqueline Anne Cockrill.

Both royal couples are from Allendale Playground.

Playground banners went to first-place float winners. Others received ribbons. Costume winners, received passes to local movie theatres.

But the show was still not over. After the shouting at the Common had died down, some 700 teen-agers moved over to the Masonic Temple for a dance. Pete Soldato and his orchestra played.

The parade, according to Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert, went off without a hitch. Last year, it started 20 minutes late and had to make up the time en route. It started on schedule last night, however.

The only minor breakdown occurred on First Street when a new Cadillac convertible, carrying one playground's king and queen candidates, stopped cold and had to be pushed by the truck behind.

Costume judges were: Mrs. Anna T. Martin, Mrs. Albert G. Clark, Mrs. Albert H. Melle, Mrs. Ralph W. Paterson, Mrs. Henry G. Radke, Mrs. William E. Martin, Miss Marie Coughlin, Miss Rosemary Carrigan, Mrs. Eileen B. Rogers, Miss Beverly Patter, Mrs. Charles S. Gaulden, Mrs. Loring B. Tower, Mrs. William S. Daniels, Mrs. Howard L. Carlson Jr., Mrs. Harold J. Fannon, Mrs. Erwin A. Kuni, Mrs. Mary E. Laurent, Miss Viola L. Ludbrook, Mrs. Marjorie E. Bove, Mrs. Edgard W. Phelps, Mrs. Catherine F. Phelps and Mrs. Ernest J. Devinez.

Costume Winners

The costume winners:

Most Grotesque: 1st, Jerry Ritchman, Highland; 2d, Sharon Curry, Crane; 3d, Steve Ritchman, Highland.

Most Unusual: 1st, Susan Rudd, Common; 2d, Gary and Deborah Regnier, Wahconah; 3d, Martin Hopper, Highland.

Prettiest: 1st, Susan Blumendale, Coolidge; 2d, Diane Phillips, Pontoosuc; 3d, Carol Plankey, Pontoosuc.

Funniest: 1st, Barbara Grace, Clapp; 2d, Arlene O'Donnell, Osceola; 3d, Marilyn Murphy, Clapp.

Best decorated carriage: 1st, Lynne Shea, Clapp.

Best decorated bicycle: 1st, Carol Adams, Common; 2d, James Phelan, Clapp; 3d, Joan Adams, Common.

Best decorated pet: 1st, Charles Wetherell, Osceola.

Most unusual group: 1st, Wilson Park; 2d, Ponoosuc; 3d, West Memorial.

For participation: 1st, Wilson Park (50 per cent); 2d, Allendale.

Joan Saldo[illegible] warded $5 gift certificate from England Brothers as best drum majorette in par[illegible]

Playground Schedule

	ARTS AND CRAFTS
Monday	Morning—Deming Afternoon—Lakewood
Tuesday	Morning—Osceola Afternoon—Pitt
Wednesday	Morning—Pontoosuc Afternoon—Springside
Friday	Morning—Victory Hill Afternoon—Wahconah
Monday	**MUSIC AND DANCE** Morning—Allendale Afternoon—Common
Tuesday	Morning—Coolidge Afternoon—Crane
Wednesday	Morning—Deming Afternoon—Francis
Friday	Morning—Highland Afternoon—Lakewood
Monday	**ARCHERY** Clapp
Tuesday	Springside
Wednesday	Deming Springside—Adult, 7 PM
Friday	Allendale
	MOVIES
Monday	Deming Victory Hill
Tuesday	Francis Wilson Park
Wednesday	Highland Abby Lodge
Thursday	Lakewood Allendale
Friday	Osceola Clapp
	SPECIAL EVENTS Dances, Etc.
Thursday	11 AM—Pontoosuc to 4 PM

SPORTS DIRECTORS

Monday—Clapp, Osceola.
Tuesday—Springside, Lakewood.
Wednesday—Allendale, Pitt.
Thursday—Allendale, Common.

NATURE SUPERVISOR

Monday, 7.00-8.00—Crane.
Tuesday, 1.30-5.00—Common.
Tuesday, 6.30-9.00—Coolidge and Pitt.

Age-Limit Lifted At Victory Hill

It was decided to drop the recently imposed ban on children over 10 years using the Victory Hill playground, after a meeting of the Victory Hill neighborhood council Wednesday night.

The ban was ordered two weeks ago as an experiment.

The decision to require the presence of a parent or baby-sitter with all children under 5 will remain in effect.

All Playgrounds To Close for Pontoosuc Outing

All of the city's playgrounds will be closed Thursday from 11 AM until 4.30 PM while children and leaders take part in the annual Pontoosuc Day outing.

Neighborhood councils will provide the bulk of the necessary transportation. Children will bring picnic lunches and take part in water and land games under the direction of lifeguards and members of the playground staff.

In the evening, the aquatic department has planned a program of demonstrations by members of the swimming classes, the water ballet team and the aquatic staff.

Because of this program, the playground supervisors of arts and crafts, music and dance, and archery will not make their regular visits on Thursday but will assist in carrying out the program at the lake.

Here are the special events planned for the playgrounds on Monday:

Clapp—Trip to the Museum at 2.30.
Deming—Scavenger hunt at 10.
Victory Hill—Hot dog roast at 6.30; meeting of the neighborhood council at 7.30.
Lakewood—Stuffed animal contest at 10.30; peanut hunt at 1.30; girls' softball at 6.30.
Crane—Clean-up contest at 10.
Abby Lodge—Picnic lunch on the playground at 12.
Francis—Picnic at 11.
Pontoosuc—Horseshoe tournament at 2.

Playground Notes

The following activities are scheduled at city playgrounds tomorrow:

Allendale—Marshmallow roast at 7.
Clapp—Picture-making with wallpaper at 10; party at 7.
Deming—Peanut hunt at 10.
Wilson Park—Peanut hunt at 10.
Victory Hill—Hike at 10; Lummi stick contest at 2.
Lakewood—Checker making at 10; marshmallow roast at 6.30.
Wahconah—Sandbox contest at 2.
Coolidge—Bike hike to Bird Sanctuary at 10.
Common—Sandbox contest at 2.
Highland—Clean-up hour at 10.
West—Button picture making at 10.
Crane—Safety contest at 10; candy sale at 7.
Springside—Sandbox sculpture contest at 11.
Abby Lodge—Scribbling contest at 2.
Francis—Melted crayon work at 2.
Osceola—Exhibit of rocks at 10.
Pontoosuc—Carom championship at 2.

Playground Results

Highland—Softball results: Highland 10, Wahconah 4. Highland team composed of Thelma Paris and Jean Hunt (cocaptains), Margaret Hornyak, Elaine Charlebois, Mary Lou Bromback, Geraldine Somerville, Joyce Borden and Mary Cornet.

Victory Hill—Winners of checker tournament: Judith Leahey playground champion (second year); Robert Blakeney 2d.

Baseball Loop Is Formed at Playgrounds

The Park Department has organized a new 10-team playground baseball league which will open tonight. Playgrounds represented are: Coolidge, Pitt, Lakewood, Deming Highland, Clapp, Pontoosuc, Allendale and the Common.

Games will be scheduled every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Postponed contests will be played Tuesday and Thursday.

Each squad will play each other twice and the top four teams at the end of the season will compete in a round-robin tournament to decide the championship.

Tonight's schedule: Coolidge at Pitt, Lakewood at Deming, Wahconah at Highland, Clapp at the Common, and Pontoosuc at Allendale.

Lakewood Wins Safety Banner

Lakewood playground has been awarded the playground safety banner after a surprise tour of the Park Department's play areas by its safety committee.

The committee, composed of Police Officer William J. Noon, James H. Lucas and Mrs. Jane A. Krook, made an unannounced inspection Tuesday as the areas were in the midst of their Mardi gras preparations.

Close competition was offered by Victory Hill, Allendale and Coolidge, which were judged runners-up in that order. Lakewood will display the safety banner until the next tour is made, which will also be unannounced.

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Eagle Eye

Photos and Captions
By William H. Tague

LITTLE SUNBEAMS: Tripping brightly along North Street are the young Misses Marion Clark, left, and Sandra Albert, whose sign declared, "We Are Little Sunbeams," until our title was substituted. The sunbeams were hooked up with the float entered by Pontoosuc playground in the Park Department's Mardi gras parade.

LOOK MA! An excited youngster turns to tell mother that an uncommon contrivance is approaching in the Mardi gras parade.

Revived Park Police Force, Public's Co-operation Seen Vandalism Curbs

Commission Chairman Goggin Says Special Patrol, Recommended by Investigating Committee, Could Cover Trouble Spots

Park Commission Chairman David A. Goggin last night urged public co-operation and a park police force as aids in fighting the vandalism at city parks that keeps dipping into limited park maintenance funds.

A special park police force, he said, would help beat the problem of vandalism. Such a force used to be in existence but was later absorbed into the regular police department.

The park investigating committee this year recommended reestablishing this force and Mr. Goggin stated that with such a system in effect, men could be assigned to potential trouble spots when needed.

Goggin said the public could also aid by calling police when they observe or hear damage being done at city parks and playgrounds.

A rubbish-strewn beach, ripped down bridge railing, overturned and broken life guard towers and refuse littered rowboats were found by lifeguards reporting for work Friday morning at Five Mile Pond.

It was the second wave of vandalism at the municipal beach this year.

"It's a shame," Goggin said, "to see this vandalism especially when our funds are so limited."

The park board chairman said the department this year is keeping a special record of funds used to repair acts of vandalism.

Bubblers have been wrecked, benches broken, pipes bent and other wanton acts have made maintenance costs mount this year, he said.

ALUMINUM CONCRETE

Montreal—A new development, aluminum concrete, made with aluminum powder and cement can be sawed, chiseled, and generally worked with the same tools used for working wood.

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ROLLER ROOKIES: Playground children get used to the feel of wheels during a roller skating class at Broyle's Arena on Dalton Avenue. Seen here at the ring are, left to right: Jimmy Nefares, 10; Phyllis Gale, a playground leader from the Common; William Polidoro, 7; Roland Cioni, instructor at the rink; Armond Borden, 5; Lynn Thompson, another leader; and Angela Borden, 8.

Better Than Gold

7/24/53

Pittsfield's playground archers are getting sharper all the time.

So many young Robin Hoods have won gold tassels — the highest award — that Supervisor Maureen Vincent has estabilshed a new target.

It will be a green tassel and can be won by scoring 250 points with 30 arrows. Only gold tassel winners may compete for it.

Playground Events

7/28/53

The following activities are scheduled at the city's playgrounds tomorrow:

Allendale—Stuffed doll contest at 2 PM.
Highland—Baby show and diaper derby at 10; story hour at 2; girls' softball (Highland vs Wahconah) at 7; boys' baseball (Highland vs Wahconah) at 7; cake sale at 8.30.
West—Bean contest at 11.
Francis—Button show at 2.
Abby Lodge—Trip to gravel beds at 2.
Coolidge—Boys' baseball with Deming at 10; hot dog roast at 7.
Wahconah—Treasure hunt at 2; hot dog roast at 6.30; boys' baseball with Highland at 7; girls' softball with Highland at 7.
Common—Coloring book contest at 2.
Lakewood—Hot dog and marshmallow roast at 12; sandbox contest at 1.30.
Wilson—Baby show at 10.
Springside—Meeting of the knitting club at 10.30.
Clapp—Hike at 2.
Deming—Treasure hunt at 2.
Crane—Hot dog roast at 7.
Victory Hill—Sandbox derby at 2.

Playground Results

Clapp—Peanut race winners: 1st, Bruce Marauszwski; 2d, Paul Procopio; 3d, Frank Fetridge. Most peanuts: Van Krechtler, Michael Arpante, Charles Semonelli and Donna Merrill.

Playgrounds At Pontoosuc Tomorrow

7/29/53

Playground children will frolic tomorrow at the Park Department's annual outing at Pontoosuc Lake. All playgrounds will be closed from 11 AM to 4.30 PM.

Neighborhood councils will provide transportation, and anyone wishing to drive some of the children to the lake should contact the leader or director at the nearest playground.

Leaders, directors and life guards will supervise activities at the lake which will include land and water games, singing and a treasure hunt. Youngsters are requested to bring their own picnic lunches.

Children will return to their respective playground areas at 4.30 and regular activities will resume at 6.30.

The aquatic department will conduct a special program of swimming demonstrations tomorrow night at 7.30. There will be a water ballet show at 8, and a water polo game between the Pontoosuc and Onota life guards at 8.20. Movies will be shown at 8.45, followed by a free swimming period from 9.30 to 10 PM.

Other playground events tomorrow night are:

Wahconah — Girls' softball with Clapp at 7.
Highland—Candy hunt at 7.
Lakewood—Cake sale before the movies at 8.

PLAYGROUND RESULTS

West — Checker tournament winners: Charles Ferraro and David Heidel.
Allendale—Carrom contest winners: 1st, Donald Nesbit; 2d, John DiCicco; 3d, Grant McLeod.

Playground Events

7/30/53

Playground events planned for tomorrow:

West—Postcard contest for 2 PM.
Lakewood—Hobo contest at 10; baseball game with Highland at 1.30; girls' softball game at 6.30.
Victory Hill—Coloring book contest at 2.
Deming—Sandbox contest at 10; baseball game with Coolidge at 1.30.
Clapp—Picnic lunch at 12 on the playground; magazine scavenger hunt and baseball game with Allendale at 2.
Springside—Puppet-making at 10.30.
Common—Treasure hunt at 10; baseball game with Wahconah at 1.30.
Coolidge—Fishing trip at 10.30; baseball game with Deming at 1.30.
Francis—Peanut hunt at 2.
Highland—Baseball game with Lakewood at 1.30.
Wahconah—Baseball game with the Common at 1.30.
Allendale—Baseball game with Clapp at 2.
Pitt—Baseball game with Pontoosuc at 1.30.

Playground results:

Lakewood—Winners of sandbox contest: 1st, John Marchisio and James Casino; 2d, John Bogino, Thomas D'Agostino, Timothy Chicaretto and Arminio Ferraro.
Abby Lodge—Scribbling contest winners: Neatest, Marilyn Boody and Joan Boody; most modern, Judith Falco; most colorful, Joan Miller.
Wahconah—Winners of sandbox contest: Most realistic, John Polidoro; most original, Margaret Ambrose; biggest tunnel, Charles Engwer; covering widest territory, Josephine Daviau; prettiest, Louise Daviau. Girls' softball: Wahconah 21, Highland 2. Roger Dean and Robert Woitkowski acted as umpires. Rosemary Gerhardt, Elizabeth Dean and Shirley Daviau each hit two home runs for the winners.

Children's Outing Is Today at Lake

7-31-53

Pittsfield, July 29—The annual Pontoosuc Day outing will take place Thursday as the special event for the city playgrounds this week. All areas will close in the morning at 11 so that children may go to the lake to take part in water games, races, land games, novelty stunts, and general swimming.

Neighborhood councils will provide the bulk of the transportation and anyone wishing to help drive some of the youngsters to the lake should contact the leader or director at the neighborhood playground.

Leaders, directors and lifeguards will supervise the children, who are asked to bring their own picnic lunches. Tables will be assigned to each playground and there will be no charge for the use of the bathhouses.

The afternoon program ends at 4:30, when all children will return home. At 7:30 the evening program will start with demonstrations by members of the swimming, lifesaving and racing classes. At 8 there will be a water ballet demonstration, followed at 8:20 by a water polo game between Pontoosuc and Onota Lake lifeguards. Movies will be shown at 8:45, after which there will be a free swim period from 9:30 to 10.

500 Participate In Playgrounds Lake Program

7-31-53

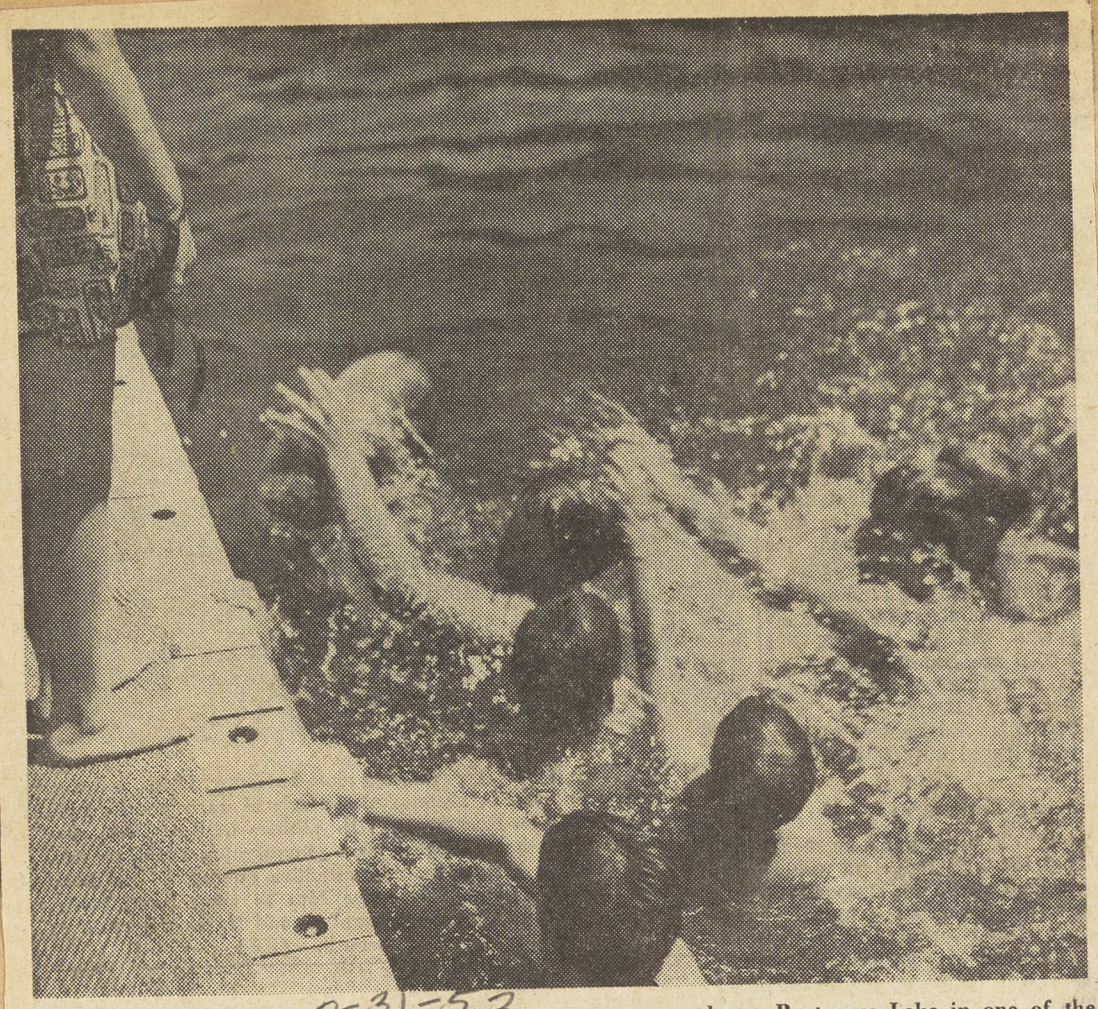
An estimated 500 playgrounders splashed in the water and chased greased watermelons at the Park Department's annual Pontoosuc day outing yesterday.

The water games, under the supervision of Rosalie Condron, Joan Mullaney, Barbara Erickson and Eleanor Persip, were held in the morning. In the afternoon following a picnic hour, Maureen Vincent, Carolyn Willis and Barbara Jordan directed the youngsters in land games.

High light of the afternoon activities was the watermelon competition. Allendale, Clapp and Deming Playgrounds each won a melon, and another was shared by Coolidge, Wilson Park, Pontoosuc and Crane.

The outing ended with a treasure hunt and a free swimming period. The children returned to their areas at 4.30.

In the evening, approximately 300 turned out for the aquatic demonstration at the lake. The crowd watched races, a water ballet, life saving techniques and a water polo game between Onota and Pontoosuc life guards.



DIG THAT MELON: 7-31-53 A flurry of splashing youngsters churns Pontoosuc Lake in one of the melon-chasing contests that featured yesterday's annual program at the lake for all playgrounds. More than 500 participated.

Playground Schedule 8/1/53

	ARTS AND CRAFTS
Monday	Morning—West Afternoon—Wilson Park
Tuesday	Morning—Abby Lodge Afternoon—Allendale
Wednesday	Morning—Clapp Afternoon—Common
Thursday	Afternoon—Crane
Friday	Morning—Coolidge Afternoon—Deming
	MUSIC AND DANCE
Monday	Morning—Osceola Afternoon—Pitt
Tuesday	Morning—Pontoosuc Afternoon—Wahconah
Wednesday	Morning—Springside Afternoon—West
Thursday	Afternoon—Victory Hill
Friday	Morning—Wilson Park Afternoon—Abby Lodge
	ARCHERY
Monday	Morn.-Aft.—Clapp
Tuesday	Morn.-Aft.—Springside
Wednesday	Morn.-Aft.—Deming. Springside—Adult, 7 PM
Thursday	Morn.-Aft.—Coolidge
Friday	Morn.-Aft.—Allendale
	MOVIES
Monday	Pitt Common
Tuesday	Springside Coolidge
Wednesday	Pontoosuc Crane Common (Movies by Nature Wagon)
Thursday	Wahconah Deming
Friday	West Francis
	SPECIAL EVENTS **Dances, Etc.**
Thursday	10 AM—Nature Day

SPORTS DIRECTORS

Monday—Clapp, Osceola.
Tuesday—Springside, Lakewood.
Wednesday—Allendale, Pitt.
Thursday—Allendale, Common.

NATURE SUPERVISOR

Monday, 7.00-8.00—Wilson Park.
Tuesday, 1.30-5.00—Victory Hill.
Tuesday, 6.30-9.00—Deming.

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SAFEST PLAYGROUND: Lakewood playgrounders, left to right, Dolly Pelkey, Judith Zaveruka, John Bogino, John Marchisio and Paul Gilette, display the banner awarded their area as the safest in a recent inspection. The award was made at a meeting Tuesday of the playground safety patrols. Pictured here with the youngsters are Mrs. Jane A. Krook, playground safety committee chairman, and Miss Patricia Drennan, Lakewood director.

Covered Wagon Coming Here With Nature Exhibits 8/3/53

The Park Department has announced that the Massachusetts Conservation Council's covered wagon will visit the city's playgrounds Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

The wagon, assembled and sponsored by the council, the state branch of the National Wildlife Federation, will feature exhibits and accompanying lectures on wild animals.

On Wednesday, the wagon will be at the Common where a special nature film will be shown. Thursday morning it will be at Clapp and at Lakewood in the afternoon.

The special event of the week at all playgrounds will be a nature program Thursday to tie in with the wild life exhibit.

Free Block Dance Tomorrow Night 8-5-53

Alan Grieve and his orchestra will play for the next free block dance of this summer's series, which will take place tomorrow night on Wendell Avenue from 9 to 11.30.

The dance is sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department with funds provided by Local 109 of the American Federation of Musicians, through a grant from the Music Performance Trust Fund of the American television and recording industry.

8-5-53

Nature Day Observance Is Tomorrow

Covered Wagon, Wildlife Exhibits To Be Features

All of the city's playgrounds will have special nature day programs tomorrow morning at 10 to tie in with the visits of the Massachusetts Conservation Covered Wagon.

The wagon, which will feature exhibits and lectures on wildlife, will arrive in Pittsfield tonight for a special showing of movies at the Common. Tomorrow at 10 the wagon will be at Clapp and at 11 children from Osceola will make a trip to see it. In the afternoon the van will move on to Lakewood, where it will be visited by Abby Lodge at 2 and Deming and West at 3.30.

The finals in the city-wide horseshoe tournament will take place tomorrow afternoon at 1.30 at the Common under the direction of Alexander Leslie, boys' sports director for the Parks and Recreation Department. Singles and doubles competition will be held between the winners of the individual playground tournament which were completed yesterday.

The other playground events planned for tomorrow afternoon follow:

Highland—Story hour at 2; candy hunt and girls' softball with Pontoosuc at 7.
West—Talent show at 7.
Coolidge—Marshmallow roast at 6.30.
Pontoosuc—Checker tournament at 2.
Clapp—Hot dog roast at 6.
Francis—Relay races at 7.

Playground results:

Allendale—Winners of checker tournament: 1st, Richard Herbert; 2d, Donald Nesbit; 3d, John Herbert; 4th, John Earle. Girls' winners: Judith Herbert, 1st; Linda Gaston, 2d; Nancy Stack, 3d. In the playground playoff, Richard Herbert won over Judith Herbert. Winners of checker tournament for younger children: 1st, Eugene Reynolds; 2d, Wayne Niederjohn; 3d, Linda Reynolds.

Coolidge—Baseball results: Coolidge 9, Pitt 7; Coolidge 9, Deming 0; Coolidge 9, Pitt 0. Margaret Bloomingdale and Shera Kirchner raised $5 for the playground treasury selling popcorn and drinks before the last movie.

Wildlife Exhibit Scheduled at Two Playgrounds

8/6/53

The state Conservation Council's Covered Wagon wildlife exhibit will be seen at Springside playground tomorrow morning at 10 and at Coolidge playground in the afternoon at 2. Children from the Common, Pontoosuc, Crane, Allendale, Victory Hill and Wilson Park will visit Springside and youngsters from Francis, Highland, Pitt and Wahconah will visit Coolidge.

Other playground events scheduled tomorrow follow:

Wahconah—Marshmallow roast and penny carnival at 7 PM.
Crane—Penny carnival at 6.30.
Springside—Stuffed animal contest at 2.
Osceola—Bubblegum contest at 3.30.
Common—Coloring book contest at 2.
Allendale—Marshmallow roast at 7.30.
West—Insect race at 2.
Pontoosuc—Sandbox sculpture contest at 2.
Clapp—Hike at 2.
Lakewood—Sandbox contest at 10.30; marshmallow roast at 1.30.
Victory Hill—Marshmallow roast at 6.45; food sale at 7.30.

Playground results:

Francis—Sandbox contest winners: Maureen and Catherine Cahill (prettiest); Christine Seiler (prettiest village); Robert LaBeau (best candy house); Deborah Seiler (biggest); Stephen and Christine Trepania and Arthur and Kevan Dermody (largest fort); Michael and Francis Rocco (smallest fort).

Wahconah—Winners of treasure hunt: Norma and Charles Engwer, June and Catherine Satrape, Joan Daviau, John and William Polidoro, Stanley Niack, Robert Sorbara, Gerald Hunt and Robert Mercier. Girls' softball: Wahconah 20, Clapp 10. Wahconah's record is now 10-2. Peggy Engwer pitched for the winners and Roger Dean umpired.

Victory Hill—Winners of sandbox contest: (Over 6 age group) 1st, Allyn Anderson and Lawrence Keefner; 2d, Roger Wechter and George Mattison. (Under 6 age group) 1st, Wayne Peaslee and James Keefner; 2d, Patricia Morrisey. Judges were Mrs. John T. VanWyck and Mrs. Edwin L. Meacham. Members of safety patrol this week are Allyn Anderson and Wayne Harris.

Playground Events

8/1/53

The following activities are scheduled tomorrow at city playgrounds:

Victory Hill—Postcard contest at 2 PM.
Osceola—Scribble contest at 10; trip to Museum at 2; meeting of the neighborhood council at 7.
Francis—Hot dog roast at 6.30.
Springside—Picnic lunch on the playground at 11.15.
Clapp—Drawing contest at 2; meeting of the neighborhood council at 7.
Pontoosuc—Hot dog roast at 6.30.
Crane—Trip to Victory Hill playground at 2.
Wahconah—Hot dog roast at 7.
West—Meeting of the neighborhood council at 7.
Highland—Trip to Onota Lake from 11-4; girls' softball at 7 with Lakewood.
Playground Baseball League: Highland at Coolidge; Common at Lakewood; Allendale at Wahconah; Pitt at Clapp; Deming at Pontoosuc.

Playground results:

Common—Safety patrol members: Joseph Ancora, Thomas DiCicco, Carol Adams, James Joyce and Fernando Gerosalimo. Freckle contest winners: Anne Smith (least freckles); Gerald Gardner (most freckles); Nancy Woitkowski (biggest freckle); James Joyce (cutest freckle); Joan Adams (most unusual freckle).

Wahconah—Girls' softball: Wahconah 8, Clapp 7. Peggy Engwer pitched for the winners and Shirley Daviau batted in the winning run. Roger Dean officiated as umpire. Boys' baseball: Wahconah 27, Highland 8. Roger Dean pitched.

Crane—Clean-up contest winners: Thelma Hover, Albert Hibbard and John Savella.

Covered Wagon Brings Exhibits

8/4/53

Pittsfield, Aug. 5—The Massachusetts Department of Conservation Covered Wagon, featuring exhibits and lectures on wildlife, arrived in Pittsfield tonight for a special showing of movies at the Common. All city playgrounds will have special nature day programs tomorrow at 10 a. m. to tie in with the visit.

The wagon will be at Clapp Park at 10 and at 11 children from Osceola will make a trip to see it. The van will move on to Lakewood in the afternoon, where it will be visited by Abby Lodge at 2 and Deming and West at 3.30.

Alan Grieve and his orchestra will play for the next free block dance of the summer series, which will take place tomorrow night on Wendell Ave. from 9 to 11.30. The Parks and Recreation Department sponsors the dances with funds provided for by Local 109 of the American Federation of Musicians.

Playground Notes

8/7/53

Approximately 400 attended a Park Department block dance on Wendell Avenue last night. Music was furnished by Alan Grieve and his orchestra.

Highland Playground will conduct a cake sale at Kresge's store tomorrow morning from 9.30 to noon. The cakes will be baked by members of the Highland neighborhood council. Proceeds will be turned over to the playground treasury.

Charles Menard of Osceola defeated defending champion James Broderick for the city singles horseshoe title on the Common yesterday. Omar Russell and William Jamross of the Common defeted Broderick and Vincent Kelly for the doubles crown.

JOY BOY: Poking around at the Common not too long ago I was struck by the tremendous fun this little boy was getting out of swinging. It was almost as if he'd just won a long shot at Saratoga.

8/8/53

Playground Schedule

8/10/53

Pittsfield, Aug. 9—Three special events have been scheduled for next week for the city's playgrounds. Archery supervisor Maureen H. Vincent will conduct individual playground archery tournaments at each of the five regular areas to select winners to compete in the city wide tournament on Aug. 17 and 18 at Clapp Park. The annual arts and crafts exhibition will take place Thursday from 4 to 8 in Park Square. Arts and crafts supervisor Marion Felton will not make visits Thursday afternoon because of the exhibition.

8/10/53

On Thursday morning at 10 all areas will hold the semifinals of the playground Olympics, with the finals scheduled for Friday afternoon at 2 at Clapp Park.

The events planned for Monday follow: Coolidge, relay races at 2; Francis, Costume day at 11; Springside, relay races at 2; Common, topsy turvy day; Pontoosuc, paper scavenger hunt at 9.45; Lakewood, bubblegum contest at 1.30; Victory Hill, talent show at 2.

Archery Tests At Playgrounds Next Week

8/8/53

Playground archery contests to determined city tournament candidates will be the high light of next week's Park Department activities for children.

An arts and crafts exhibition will be given in Park Square Thursday from 4 to 8 PM. Semifinals and finals in the playground Olympics will take place at Clapp Park Thursday morning and Friday afternoon.

Regular playground activities Monday are:

Coolidge—Relay races at 2.
Francis—Costume day at 11.
Springside—Relay races at 2.
Common—Topsy turvy day.
Pontoosuc—Paper scavenger hunt at 9.45.
Lakewood—Bubblegum contest at 1.30.
Victory Hill—Talent show at 2.

Playground Results

Victory Hill—Winners of races: 3-legged race, Patricia Leahey and Lawrence Keefner; wheelbarrow race, 1st, Patricia Leahey and Lawrence Keefner; 2d, Richard Powers and Thomas Wilson. Running race, 1st, Patricia Leahey; 2d, Richard Powers; 3d, James Roberts.

Wilson Park—Winners of sandbox contest: Senior division, Michael and Charles Grady; junior division, David Grady and David Bordeau.

Rehearsals Start For Playground Pageant Aug. 20

8/10/53

Rehearsals start this week for the first annual Park Department playground pageant scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 20, at Wahconah Park.

Carolyn Willis, music and dance supervisor, will visit each playground at least once this week to direct pageant dances and songs. Additional supervised rehearsals will be held Wednesday night at Allendale and Francis, Thursday morning at Clapp and Friday morning at the Park Department office, 52 School Street.

Full dress rehearsals are scheduled Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights next week at Wahconah Park.

The pageant will feature an all-playground cast. Children will act out in pantomime "A Dearest Wish," narrated by Maureen Vincent, and "The Wedding of Alan-A-Dale," narrated by Larsen Powell. The event will incorporate dances and songs that normally would be a part of the playground folk festival which will not be held this summer.

Miss Marion Felton, arts and crafts supervisor, is working with playground directors, leaders and neighborhood councils in costume preparation.

Playground Events For Week Listed

8/8/53

	ARTS AND CRAFTS
Monday	Morning—Francis Afternoon—Highland
Tuesday	Morning—Lakewood Afternoon—Osceola
Wednesday	Morning—Pitt Afternoon—Pontoosuc
Thursday	
Friday	Morning—Springside Afternoon—Victory Hill
	MUSIC AND DANCE
Monday	Morning—Allendale Afternoon—Common
Tuesday	Morning—Clapp Afternoon—Coolidge
Wednesday	Morning—Crane Afternoon—Francis
Thursday	Afternoon—Deming
Friday	Morning—Highland Afternoon—Lakewood
	ARCHERY
Monday	Morning—Clapp
Tuesday	Morn.-Aft.—Springside
Wednesday	Morn.-Aft.—Deming Springside—Adult, 7 PM
Thursday	PM—Coolidge
Friday	Allendale—PM
	MOVIES
Monday	West Highland
Tuesday	Victory Hill Lakewood
Wednesday	Wilson Park Osceola
Thursday	Abby Lodge Pitt
Friday	Allendale Pontoosuc
Thursday	**SPECIAL EVENTS** 10 AM—Playground Olympics 10 AM at all areas; 6.30 PM at Clapp Arts and Crafts exhibit, 4-8 PM—Park Square

SPORTS DIRECTORS (6 PM)
Monday—Clapp, Osceola.
Tuesday—Springside, Lakewood.
Wednesday—Allendale, Pitt.
Thursday—Allendale, Common.

NATURE SUPERVISOR
Monday, 7.00-8.00—West Memorial.
Tuesday, 1.30-5.00—Abby Lodge.
Tuesday, 6.30-9.00—Wahconah.
Monday, 7.00-8.00—Wilson Park.
Tuesday, 1.30-5.00—Victory Hill.
Tuesday, 6.30-9.00—Deming.

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SNAKES AT COOLIDGE: Youngsters crowd around for a closer look at reptiles exhibited by the state Conservation Department covered wagon that visited the city's playgrounds last week. Pictured here at Coolidge holding two snakes and a turtle are, left to right, David Rennie, 13, of Francis, Patricia Cimini, 11, of Coolidge, Jane Benton, leader at Francis, and Judy Trepania, 9, of Francis.

Playfield Pageant Rehearsals Begun

8/10/53

Pittsfield, Aug. 10—Rehearsals will start this week for the first annual playground pageant, which will take place on Aug. 20 at Wahconah Park.

Carolyn Willis, music and dance supervisor, will visit all playgrounds at least once this week to direct rehearsals for the dances and songs with rehearsals scheduled for Allendale and Francis on Wednesday evening, at Clapp on Thursday morning and at the Park Department office on Friday morning. Dress rehearsals will be held next Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings at Wahconah Park.

The pageant will feature an all-playground cast, with children acting out the pantomine to "A Dearest Wish," narrated by Maureen Vincent, and "The Wedding of Alan 'a Dale," narrated by Larsen Powell.

Costumes are being planned and supervised by the arts and crafts supervisor Marion Felton, with playground leaders, directors and children along with neighborhood councils assisting in the actual construction.

$50 Raised By Carnival At Wahconah

Neighborhood council representatives will meet at the Park Department office, 52 School Street, at 7.30 tonight to discuss playground programs and make suggestions for improving the 1954 Mardi gras celebration.

More than 300 attended and some $50 was raised at a carnival Friday night at Wahconah playground. Booths were operated by the children. Door prizes were donated by local merchants.

Highland playground raised $24 at its cake sale Saturday in Kresge's store. Cakes were baked by neighborhood council members. Mrs. Henry C. Maces, Mrs. Emile J. Belot, Mrs. Edward C. Murphy and Mrs. Raymond E. Condron assisted playground leaders Joan Mullaney and Joan Thacker.

Activities scheduled tomorrow are:

West—Tie contest at 2; penny carnival at 7.
Deming—Trip to Onota Lake from 10.30-4.30.
Pitt—Topsy turvy day, all morning.
Springside—Penny carnival at 6.30.
Common—Scavenger hunt at 11; trip to Pontoosuc Lake at 2.
Clapp—Marshmallow roast at 7.
Pontoosuc—Penny carnival at 6.30.
Wahconah—Hot dog roast at 7; girls' softball with Lakewood at 7.
Coolidge—Boys' baseball with Wahconah at 10 AM.
Abby Lodge—Trip to Pulpit Rock at 1.30.
Highland—Clean-up contest at 10; penny carnival and dance at 8.
Crane—Clean-up contest at 11.
Lakewood—Trip to Onota at 10.30.

Butler Urges Rental of Land For Playground

The City Council last night referred to Mayor Capeless a request from Councilman Donald G. Butler that the city rent a three-acre plot on Lebanon Avenue for playground purposes.

Butler said that the lot, next to Berry's gasoline service station and variety store, was used for many years as a playground and should be re-established as such. It can be had, he said, by reimbursing the lot owner, one Joseph Burke of Hyde Park, his annual real estate tax bill and sewer assessments, which this year amounts to $85.24.

Unless such a facility is established, Butler said, some 50 children in the area will be without any recreational facilities. The nearest playground, he said, is Osceola Park which is more than two miles away.

250 Children To Compete In Olympics

Nearly 250 children are expected to participate in the finals of the playground Olympics tomorrow afternoon at 2 at Clapp Park. Events will include running races, broad jumps, high jumps and relay races for boys and girls. Ribbons will be awarded to first, second and third-place winners.

Other playground events tomorrow are:

Springside—Topsy turvy day, all day.
Crane—Magazine scavenger hunt at 11.
Coolidge—Peanut hunt at 11.
Francis—Box day at 11.
Abby Lodge—Sandbox contest at 10.
Allendale—Marshmallow roast at 7.
Victory Hill—Sweet sale from 1.30-5.00.
Lakewood—Sandbox contest at 10.30; hike for boys at 1.30.
Common—Checker tournament at 2; sandbox contest at 2.30; hayride at 8.30.
Deming—Bubblegum contest at 2.
Osceola—Carnival at 6.30.
Clapp—Trip to the Berkshire Museum at 2.
Pitt—Boys' softball at 2.

Playground Results

Victory Hill—Winners of postcard contest: Elaine McNamara (most historical and one sent from farthest distance); Wayne Harris (prettiest scene and one with most animals); Patricia Leahey (most unusual, oldest and funniest); Ann McNamara (most colorful); Patricia Harper (one with most animals).

Playground Accident Fund Is Endorsed

Parents' Council Also Discusses Mardi Gras Plans

An accident fund for children injured at city playgrounds was unanimously endorsed at a neighborhood council meeting last night. A collection will be taken at next Thursday's playground pageant as the first step in establishing such a fund.

Plans discussed by council members for operating the fund included the selection of a board of five doctors to decide the eligibility for payment to anyone injured in a playground accident.

Council representatives also discussed this summer's Mardi gras celebration and made suggestions for improvement in future observances. It was decided that the 7.30 starting time and the revised system of prizes inaugurated at the recent Mardi gras should continue.

The council further suggested that more off-playground trips to such places as the fire station, the Berkshire Museum and Pleasant Valley Sanctuary should be made. And it was agreed that an effort should be made to boost parental assistance with transportation for these trips.

The council members expressed hope that the forthcoming playground pageant would eventually reach the importance of the Mardi gras as part of the summer schedule. Miss Maureen Vincent, the archery supervisor, explained that simplicity, mass participation and incorporation of all playground skills are the goals of the pageant.

Children Exhibit Arts and Crafts

Pittsfield, Aug. 13—The annual playground arts and crafts exhibit sponsored by the Park and Recreation Department was held in Park Square today.

Children from the various areas demonstrated how articles were made. Articles shown were nature exhibits, painting on glass, soft stocking dolls, weaving, jewelry, leather and felt. Puppets were displayed by the children at Wilson, ceramics made by Osceola pupils and a dog and cat were shown, made of papier mache, which was used in the Osceola float.

Arts and Crafts Exhibit To Be Repeated Tomorrow

A second playground arts and crafts exhibit will be held at Park Square because of the interest in yesterday's showing.

Supervisor Marion Felton announced that the second showing will be tomorrow from 10 AM until 3 PM. Approximately 400 persons viewed the exhibit in two hours yesterday, even though the show had to be dismantled during the early evening rain storm. Miss Felton has completed her regular schedule of visits for this summer's arts and crafts program and will now concentrate on tomorrow's exhibits and the costumes for next week's playground pageant.

Plouffe

'OLYMPICS' WINNER: Pauline Baroli of Highland Playground flies through the air in the 1953 Playground Olympics held yesterday at Clapp Park with 125 children competing. Pauline's efforts won her a first in the girls' broad jump. Clapp won the annual event, sponsored by the Pittsfield Parks and Recreation Department.

Playgrounds List Events For Final Week

Next week will be the last week of operations for the city's playgrounds this season and a number of special events have been planned. On Monday and Tuesday, the annual city-wide archery tournament will take place at Clapp Park with about 45 individual playground champions, who have been selected at elimination tournaments at the five areas this week, competing for trophies, pins and archery equipment.

The schedule for the tournament will be: Midgets (8-9 years of age) 10 AM Monday; intermediates (10-11 years of age) 3 PM Monday; juniors (12-15 years of age) 10 AM Tuesday; and the playground team shoot at 2 PM Tuesday.

Miss Maureen Vincent, supervisor of archery, has also announced that because of the increase in the number of girls shooting this year, a special event for girls only will be held on Monday afternoon at 1. All girls between the ages of 8-14 are eligible.

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The cowboy roundup, the final playground event of the season, has been scheduled for next Friday at Springside Park from 12.30 until 4.30 PM. Children from all 18 of the city's playgrounds will participate.

Other Events

Other playground events planned for Monday are as follows:

Coolidge—Sandbox contest at 10; hike to Wahconah Falls at 10.15.
Francis—Picnic at 11.15.
Victory Hill—Bubblegum contest at 2.
Lakewood—Scavenger hunt at 10.30; baseball game with Deming at 2.
Wahconah—Magazine scavenger hunt at 2.
Allendale—Story telling hour at 2.
Comuon—Family picnic at 6.30.
Deming—Hot dog roast at 7.
Springside—Puppet show at 2.
Crane—Freckle contest at 11.
Clapp—Magazine scavenger hunt at 2; softball game (boys vs girls) at 3.
Pontoosuc—Meeting of the neighborhood council at 6.30.

Playground Results

Wahconah—Girls' softball: Wahconah 23, Lakewood 15; Wahconah 8, Highland 4. Peggy Engwer pitched both games. Betty Dean drove in the winning run in defeating Highland. Boys' baseball: Wahconah 4, Coolidge 2.

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Final Programs At Playgrounds

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800 Attend Roundup at Springside

8-22-53

More than 800 children attended the seventh annual cowboy roundup at Springside Park yesterday afternoon for children from the city's 18 playgrounds.

The event, which is sponsored annually by the Parks and Recreation Department, marked the official closing of the playgrounds for the 1953 season.

Various games were run off according to age groups under the direction of the Misses Jean Jarvie, Maureen Vincent and Eleanor Persip. Bubblegum, candy bars, lollipops, bags of peanuts and balloons were distributed as prizes. Free soda, ice cream and cookies were distributed to all children.

The winner of the playground safety slogan contest was also announced yesterday. Joseph Ancora of the Common won the $1 first prize for his slogan "L.S.M. F.T.—Let Safety Move Fast Today." The contest was suggested by the playground safety committee as an attempt to improve safety-consciousness among playground children.

Clapp Park had a successful trip to Look Park this week with 34 children and 4 adults participating.

Coolidge playground held a farewell party on Wednesday afternoon with about 150 attending.

Final Playground Week Is Busy One

8-18-53

Pittsfield, Aug. 17—Larson M. Powell of the Department of Parks and Recreation has announced that a number of events have been planned for the final week of the season at the city's playgrounds.

The annual city-wide archery tournament will take place at Clapp Park today and tomorrow with about 45 playground champions competing for trophies, pins and archery equipment.

The playground pageant and a free block dance will be held on Thursday evening and the big cowboy roundup will be at Springside Park Friday afternoon. All 18 of the city's playgrounds will close Friday.

Entries are now being accepted for the third annual Berkshire County Tennis championships, to be held Sept. 8 through Sept. 20, under the auspices of the Park Department and the YMCA. Entries will close on Monday, Sept. 7.

Free classes in tennis instruction will start tomorrow at the Camp Merrill Courts and are open to anyone over 12. Registration may be made at the Park Department office or at your neighborhood playground. There will be a limit of 18 students per class.

Winners Listed In Playgrounds Olympics Events

8-15-53

Approximately 125 children participated in the finals of the 1953 playground Olympics Friday afternoon at Clapp Park. Clapp won the unit competition with 77 points, followed by Highland with 65 and Allendale with 46. It took about 2½ hours to run the meet.

The summaries, first, second, and third winners being listed in order, follow:

BOYS 8-10

25-yard dash—Wilbur Jones, Highland; John Bogini, Lakewood; Barry Rudnick, Francis.

Standing broad jump—Wilbur Jones, Highland; John Bogino, Lakewood; Daniel Perkins, Crane.

Running broad jump—Raymond Woitkowski, Wahconah; Donald Merejewski, Clapp; Michael Mazza, Deming.

BOYS 11-12

50-yard dash—Kirk Leslie, Springside; Harry Bateman, Coolidge; Michael Mole, Clapp.

Standing broad jump — Kirk Leslie, Springside; Harry Bateman, Coolidge; Charles Grady, Wilson.

Running broad jump—Charles Grady, Wilson; Michael Mole, Clapp; Kirk Leslie, Springside.

BOYS 13-14

50-yard dash—Paul Fortin, Wilson, and Jack Hall, Coolidge; Allan Hunt, Allendale.

Standing broad jump—Allan Hunt, Allendale; Paul Fortin, Wilson; Daniel Young, Allendale.

Running broad jump—Allan Hunt, Allendale; Paul Fortin, Wilson; Tim Hoctor, Francis.

High jump—Allan Hunt, Allendale; Paul Fortin, Wilson; Tim Hoctor, Francis.

The 5-man relay was won by Deming.

GIRLS 8-10

25-yard dash—Mary Arpante, Francis; Kathleen Macy, Highland; Peggy Lavalle, Highland.

Standing broad jump—Kathleen Macy, Highland; Mary Arpante, Francis; Margaret Lavalle, Highland.

Running broad jump—Judith Ann Wechter, Wahconah; Karen Neilson, Victory Hill; Margaret Lavalle, Highland.

GIRLS 11-12

50-yard dash—Sally Shea, Clapp; Pat Barber, Highland; Carol Adams, Common, and Judith Goswell, Clapp.

Standing broad jump—Patricia Barber, Highland; Sally Shea, Clapp; Carol Adams, Common.

Running broad jump—Pauline Baroli, Highland; Sally Shea, Clapp; Patricia Barber, Highland.

GIRLS 13-14

50-yard dash—Joan Calnan, Clapp; Betty Fogey, Clapp; Nancy Williams, Clapp.

Standing broad jump—Elizabeth Mickle, Highland; Elizabeth Forgey, Clapp; Nancy Williams, Clapp.

Running broad jump—Elizabeth Forgey, Clapp; Nancy Williams, Clapp; Elizabeth Mickle, Highland.

GIRLS 15-16

Standing broad jump—Ann Hess, Highland.

Running broad jump—Ann Hess, Highland.

100 Compete In Archery Tournament

8-19-53

Playground Stars Win Many Awards At Clapp Park

Thomas Patti of Deming, Jay Coyle of Springside, Karl Schaffer of Clapp and Margaret Nolan of Deming, were the top stars in the annual two-day playground archery tournament that ended yesterday at Clapp Park. Nearly 100 young archers competed.

Patti won first prize in the midget division for eight and nine-year-old youngsters. The second-place silver trophy went to Dave Connors of Osceola and the third-place bronze award was won by Billy Sinopoli, also of Osceloa.

Coyle was top shooter in the intermediate class for 10 and 11-year-old children. He was followed by Patty Pellows of Deming and John Donna of Clapp. Schaffer was crowned champion in the 12-to-15-year-old junior class while Donald Nesbit of Allendale was second and Dave Foote of Deming was third. Margaret Nolan won the girls' competition. Patty Pellows was second and Loni Pompi of Deming was third.

Allendale archers walked off with the team championship. Deming placed second, only five points behind. Donald Nesbit and Georgianna Stevens were on the winning team.

Archery Supervisor Maureen Vincent said the tournament was a real success with a large gallery of older brothers and sisters present to cheer the youngsters on.

Jay Coyle, Robert LeClare, Lana Schaffer, Mark Coyne, James Callan and Richard Demary served as official scorekeepers.

400 Children To Take Part In Pageant

8-20-53

Playground Event Scheduled Tonight At Wahconah Park

Nearly 400 youngsters are scheduled to participate in the first annual playground pageant at Wahconah Park tonight at 7.30. The event, sponsored by the Park Department, will incorporate such aspects of the summer playground program as music, dance, arts, crafts and dramatics.

Children from all 18 city playgrounds will take part. There will be no admission fee, but a collection will be taken to start a playground accident fund.

The pageant will be divided into two parts. The first will be a dramatization of "The Dearest Wish," narrated by Miss Maureen Vincent. The second portion will be a portrayal of "The Wedding of Alan 'A Dale," narrated by Larsen Powell.

Youngsters in the show should report to the park by 6.45 PM.

Final Events For Playground Season Listed

The Park Department staff will hold its annual picnic at Camp Merrill tonight following the playground pageant at Wahconah Park. Area leaders and directors will conduct final inventory tomorrow morning, and equipment will be picked up in the afternoon.

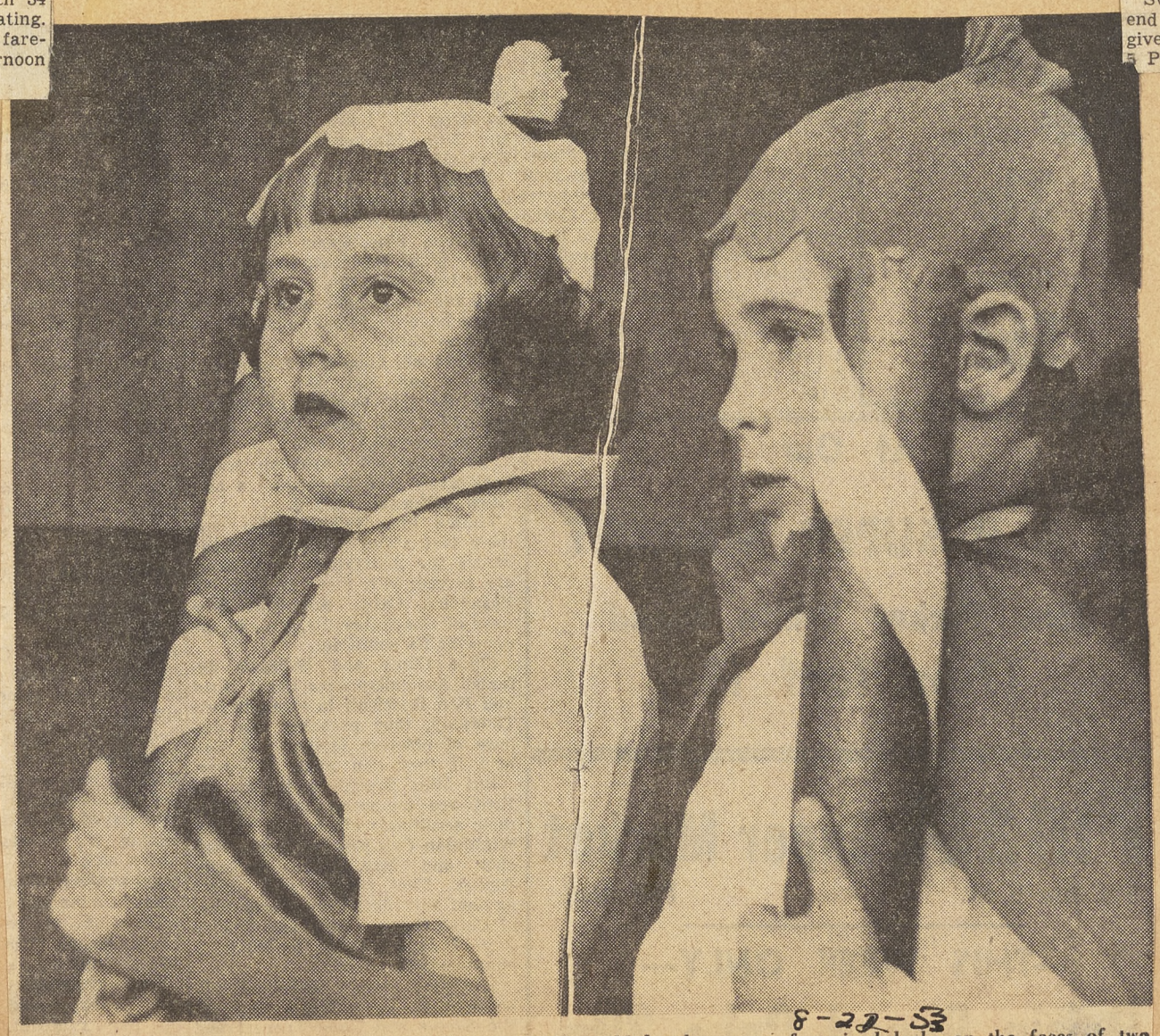
The annual playground cowboy roundup, the final event of the season, is scheduled tomorrow afternoon from 1.30 to 4.30 at Springside Park. There will be games and races and free refreshments for all children. All playgrounds will close officially at 5 PM tomorrow.

The final roller skating class will be held tomorrow from 9.30 to noon at Broyle's Arena. It will feature a special roller revue.

Other events tomorrow include a sandbox contest at 10 and a peanut hunt at 11 at Lakewood, and a park party at Crane at 10.30.

The playground safety committee has voted Lakewood the safest playground in the city. Deming was runner-up, Abbey Lodge, third, and Osceola, fourth.

Swimming classes at Onota Lake end Friday, Aug. 28. Tests will be given Saturday from 11 AM to 5 PM.



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TENSE MOMENT: Just a touch of stage fright could be the cause of strained looks on the faces of two youngsters getting their cue in the big playground pageant at Wahconah Park. It was one of final events of the season.

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PLAYGROUND PAGEANT: Nine hundred persons watched the first annual playground pageant, presented Thursday by more than 400 costumed children at Wahconah Park. The production was sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department and all 18 playgrounds took part. A fairy land scene, a Robin Hood fable and folk dancing made up the program, with songs by playground chorus.

250 Children Participate in 'Roller Revue'

8-25-53

About 30 parents watched 250 playground children participate in a "roller revue" at Broyle's Arena, Dalton Avenue, Friday morning. The event marked the climax of the Park Department's free summer roller skating program.

Featured were dance demonstrations by Ray Crown and Delores Klupacs, the Connecticut state junior champion, races for children and a free skating period. Gene Somerville, Joseph Scaff, Michael Moore, Cliff Bean, Allen Hunt, Donna Knollmeyer and Elaine Lepainty won the races.

The program, closing with a grand march, was arranged by Rolan Cioni, an instructor at the rink. Organist Tony Salzarulo Jr. donated his time. It was announced that a similar program is planned as part of next summer's playground season.

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Hebert Tells Why Pools, Play Areas Closed Early

In answer to numerous inquiries as to why city swimming pools and playgrounds closed a week earlier this summer than last, Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert explained today, that:

1. All 18 playgrounds opened a week earlier and were in operation for the regular nine-week season.

2. Since no supervisors would be on duty, it was decided to close the two wading pools at Crane and Springside the same time as the playgrounds.

3. Attendance at the two pools decreased considerably the last two weeks they were open.

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In Brief . . .

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The summer playground attendance of 138,945 reported yesterday by the Park Department may be slightly below last year's total, but it's still a remarkable commentary on what can be done with a modest budget and an energetic staff . . .

. . The indignation of many parents over the fact that the playground season ended a few days earlier than usual this year is at least a commentary on how the park program has progressed from the luxury classification it once occupied in the city budget . . .

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Playgrounds Drew 138,945 For Season

8-28-53

Slight Decrease Attributed to Root Field Closing

The Park Department disclosed today that attendance at the city's playgrounds during the 1953 season totaled 138,945.

That number of children and adults used facilities at 18 areas during the nine weeks they were open.

The total is slightly lower than a year ago, but the department operated one less area in 1953 than it did in 1952. Root Park was closed because of construction work at the site of the new South Junior High School.

Statistics show that 1953's opening-week attendance was higher than last season. The comparative figures were 21,890 and 18,788.

Beach Figures

Attendance to date at bathing beaches and pools in the city comes to 100,609. Bathers numbered 64,555 at Pontoosuc lake and 28,172 at Onota. Pools closed on Aug. 21; lake bathing beaches will stay open through Labor Day.

There were considerably more picnickers this year than last. Some 5784 kits were rented and 2566 table reservations were made. Estimated attendance was 20,528. Last year's total came to 13,944.

Some 583 children and adults took advantage of the department's series of free swimming classes. Seventy-seven graduated. Final tests will be given from 11 AM to 5 PM tomorrow at Pontoosuc Lake.

There were no fatal accidents at any bathing sites, although 11 rescues were made. One case at Onota required artificial respiration. Pontoosuc rescues were made with a torpedo buoy, boats, and by lifeguards.

Financial Report

Financial receipts for the season at the two lakes came to $3359. The total includes bathhouse and picnic table fees, and $1050 for concession rental at both lakes. Another $300 came from kiddies' rides at Pontoosuc.

Only one of the 86 outdoor movie programs was rained out. Attendance totaled 9667.

The playground attendance figure includes 700 youngsters in the Mardi gras parade, 400 in the playground pageant, 800 at the cowboy roundup and 500 more attending the Pontoosuc Day observance. Another 2225 enrolled in the roller skating program at Broyle's arena.

Six band concerts and five block dances were held, drawing a total crowd of 5900.

Other activities during the summer included arts, crafts, music and dance programs at each area; playground safety contests; a state conservation exhibit; and the city and New England AAU swimming meets at Pontoosuc Lake.

8-29-53

Tom Patti Is Champ Despite His Handicap

By JOHN M. VANDER VOORT

Spunky Tommy Patti, a real modern-day Robin Hood, has won his fight against tough luck.

Sturdy Youth

This sturdy, dark-haired little fellow, the nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Quinto V. Patti, 73 Lyman Street, is happy today with a handicap that might easily have upset the destiny of others.

Tommy is blind in one eye.

He lost the sight of his right eye last April in a freak accident that could have happened to anyone.

He has a plastic eye now that looks as good as the real thing. But it can't see.

This was a challenge that Tommy accepted and met. To be thought different than other kids in the neighborhood was something he didn't cherish.

One of the Gang

Now, less than six months after his mishap, Tommy is considered one of the gang. He looks, acts and plays the same as his pals.

Tommy's big athletic interest, at least in the summer, is archery. He's a darn good bow-and-arrow man, too.

Just recently, he won first prize in the midget division in the Park Department's city archery tournament at Clapp Park. He uses a heavy, 26-pound bow—says he likes it because the arrows go farther and faster—carries his own quiver and keeps his gear in good shape.

He practices on old tin cans in the back yard. One eye is all that's needed in archery, and Tommy makes the most of all he's got.

Tommy became an archer when other kids started kidding and teasing him—telling him he couldn't do what they could. Now he's as good or better than most of his competitors.

In Other Sports, Too

But archery isn't Tommy's only sport. He swims a lot, and with the aid of special goggles to protect his artificial eye, enjoys all water activities. He plays a driving game of badminton, keeping in trim on a court in the yard.

This winter, he hopes to join the Park Department speed skating club. He's skated for three seasons and sees no reason why he should give it up now.

His newest hobby is tinkering with broken down radio sets and other electronic devices. He has a raft of spare parts in a box near the cellar door.

Tommy's father is a barber, and Mr. and Mrs. Patti were pretty broken up when they learned their boy was going to lose one of his eyes.

Odd Accident

The accident happened in sort of a crazy way. As most kids, Tommy liked to play with odd things. This time it was a button on a string that snapped in the air when both ends of the cord were pulled.

The button broke and a jagged edge hit Tommy's face, cutting the eyeball. Infection set in.

In Boston, under special medical care, a new eye was made for Tommy. He's used to it now.

Tommy enters fifth grade at near-by Hibbard School this fall. He's a good student. The youngest of three children, Tommy is a lively lad who looks and acts like any other normal boy.

His pals don't kid him any more.

Harvard Radio Station Names Powell to Staff

12/23/53

Larson M. Powell, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. LeRoy Powell of 536 Pomeroy Ave., was one of 14 students recently elected to the staff of the Harvard undergraduate radio station, WHRB. One hundred candidates took part in the nine-week competition for positions on the staff of WHRB, which is affiliated with the Ivy Network, composed of stations at Yale, Dartmouth, Princeton, Cornell, Brown and the University of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Powell, who is the first undergraduate ever to be elected to the station during his senior year, will serve on the announcing staff, in addition to editing and preparing United Press news for broadcast.

8-29-53

ON TARGET: Nine-year-old Tommy Patti draws his 26-pound bow back to the maximum as he sights on a practice target in the yard of his home, 73 Lyman Street. Tommy, who lost the vision of his right eye in an accident last spring, recently won a title in the city archery contest. He's good in other sports, too.

Beverly Hyde Betrothed to Mr. Robbins

12/24/53

She Will Wed Senior Of Lowell Institute In June Ceremony

Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Hyde of 186 Lebanon Ave., today announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Beverly Ann, to Walter A. Robbins Jr.,

Miss Beverly A. Hyde

son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Robbins of Danville, Va. A June wedding is planned.

Miss Hyde graduated from Pittsfield High School, class of 1951, and is a junior at Lowell Teachers' College, majoring in music education.

A graduate of Oswego (N.Y.) High School, Mr. Robbins is a senior at Lowell Textile Institute, majoring in woolen manufacturing. He is a member of the platoon leaders' class, USMC, and will be called to active duty in late summer.

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Park Skaters Race Today

Pittsfield Club To Compete in Glens Falls Meet

Twenty-four members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating team left here this morning to compete in a sanctioned ice meet today and tomorrow at Glens Falls, N.Y.

This is the first skating meet of the season for the local team and members are not optimistic about their chances after losing two of last year's key skaters. There are several new competitors who haven't skated in meets before and, because of poor ice conditions, have not been able to practice here.

Strong contenders in the men's senior division are Alex Goguen, Joe Satrape and Dick Conway, all frequent winners last season. They will be skating against a former team mate, Art Longjo, who is now on the Leominster team.

Making the trip today with Goguen, Satrape and Conway are: Mary Ann Komuniechi, Larry Herzig, Bobby Wells, Dave Tobin, Don Terpak, Larry Wells, Bob Dunn, Dick Simard, Mary Corinet, Daryl Messer, Mary Lou Bromback, Keyeburn Hollister, Patricia Wells, Bob Canterella, Barry Hollister, Donald Wells, Paul Canterella and Joan Hollister.

On the competitive ice skating scene, the Park Department announced at noon that the Lake Placid (N.Y.) speed skating championships, in which the Pittsfield Park skating team is entered, have been postponed due to poor weather. The events will be held tomorrow, indoors if necessary.

It was also announced that the Silver Skates meet in Boston, originally scheduled for tomorrow, has been temporarily postponed pending appointment of authorized officials.

GOGUEN CAPTURES SENIOR MEN'S RACE IN NEW YORK MEET

Pittsfield Skater Takes 440-Yard Event at Glens Falls

Glens Falls, N. Y., Jan. 3 (AP)—Massachusetts men won the only two senior men's races staged today in the snow and rain-marred opening of the Northeastern New York speed skating races.

Blum Second Twice

Alex Goguen of Pittsfield, Mass., skated to victory in the senior men's 440-yard race in 40.04 seconds.

Ed Dame of the Holy Name Skating Club, Boston, took the men's one-mile in 3 minutes, 22.6 seconds.

Ray Blum of Grossinger, a member of the 1948 U. S. Olympic team, was second in both events.

The races opened in a snowstorm. By early afternoon the snow had turned to light rain and ice on the city-owned rink was in such poor condition that officials transferred remaining events to a privately owned ice pond north of the city.

The races, part of the seventh annual Glens Falls Winter Carnival, will conclude tomorrow. More than 200 skaters are competing.

Senior Men

1 mile—Edgar Dame, Jr., Holy Name Club, Boston; Ray Blum, Grossinger, N. Y.; Warren Hutchins, Olympic Club, New York. Time, 3:22.6.

440—Alex Goguen, Pittsfield, Mass.; Blum; Dame. Time, 40.9.

Juvenile Boys

One-sixth mile—Al Stunzi, Saranac Lake, N. Y.; Mike Wikstead, Leominster, Mass.; Leo Lanny, Jr., Leominster. Time, 34.3.

Midget Boys

440—Pat Shea, Lake Placid, N. Y.; Robert Canterella, Pittsfield; Joseph Hollister, Pittsfield. Time, 55.5.

Peewee Boys

110—Peter Krindler, Grossinger; Michael Lynch, Saratoga Springs; Paul Caterella, Pittsfield. Time, 16.5.

Senior Women

220—Barbara Christensen, Bay State Club, Boston; Mary Ann Konuniecki, Pittsfield; Mary Lynch, Newburgh. Time, 25.5.

Intermediate Girls

220—Gloria Rattay, Flushing, N. Y.; Joan Russell, Newburgh; Mary Campbell, Bay State, Boston.

Junior Girls

880—Patsy Grimes, Bay State, Boston. Time, 1:52.1.

Peewee Girls

110—Judy Ganter, Bay State, Boston; Karen Green, Saratoga Springs; Mary Tosi, Warehouse Point, Conn. Time, 19:45.

Park Skaters Place Third In N.Y. Event

Alex Goguen Wins Senior Men's 440-Yard Event

GLENS FALLS, N.Y.—The Pittsfield (Mass.) Speed Skating Club earned a total of 295 points over the week end to win third-place honors in the two-day Northeastern New York ice skating races here.

The Newburgh, N.Y., skating team placed first with 395 points, and the Bay State skaters from Boston, Mass., finished second with 310.

Outstanding individual scorer for Pittsfield was Alex Goguen, who made 50 points with a first in the important senior men's 440 event, a second in the 220 and a fifth in the five-mile distance grind.

Mary Ann Komuniecki added another 30 points for Pittsfield with her second in the senior women's 220 and a third in the 440. Her teammate, Mary Lou Bromback, racing in the juvenile girls' class, earned 60 points with seconds in the 220 and one-sixth-mile events, and a third in the 440.

Other Winners

Bobby Cantarella, competing in the midget boys' division, gathered another 60 points for Pittsfield with seconds in the 220, the 440 and one-sixth-mile events. Donny Terpak, a junior racer, earned 20 points with his second in the 220 while Barry Hollister, in the midget goys' group, gained 20 points with thirds in the 220 and 440.

Paul Cantarella, competing in the pee wee boys' group, gained another 20 points for the Pittsfield team by placing third in both the 110 and 220 events. Don Wells, a special midget racer, placed third in the 220 for 10 ponits. Jo Ann Hollister, in the special midget girls' division, was second in the 220 for 20 points.

The Pittsfield skaters, though third in the meet, led the Northeastern New York division in scoring. The next meet will be Saturday and Sunday at the Eastern States championships at Saratoga, N.Y.

This even will be particularly outstanding because Bobby Jahn of the Concord Skating Club in New Jersey, and Edgar Dame of the Holy Name club in Revere Mass., each have won two legs on the coveted senior men's trophy.

Goguen Wins Senior Race At Saratoga

Several Events Are Postponed Until Feb. 14

SARATOGA, N.Y.—Ice skating racers from Pittsfield, Mass., captured several events in the Eastern States meet here over the week end. The final races were postponed late yesterday afternoon until Feb. 14, because of poor ice conditions.

Alex Goguen of Pittsfield, who will compete tonight in the Silver Skates race of champions in New York, won the senior men's 220 title Saturday afternoon and placed second in the senior men's 880 yesterday.

James Brown, who skates for the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club, won the juvenile boys' 220 event Saturday afternoon and placed second in the 440 race in the same class yesterday.

Other Results

Other Saturday results saw Don Terpak place second in the junior boys' 220 and Mary Ann Komuniecki [illegible] second in the [illegible]

Pittsfield Park Skaters Capture Lake Placid Event

Goguen Wins One Race and Places Second in Three Others—Conway Takes Three-Mile Landon Trophy

LAKE PLACID, N.Y. — The Pittsfield (Mass.) Park Speed Skating team annexed first place in the Mirror Lake speed skating championships yesterday, totaling 520 points against competitors in the Northern New York Association circuit.

Alex Goguen, senior star racer, who works for the Pittsfield Park Department, contributed to his team's total by winning the senior men's mile event, placing second in the 880, 440 and 220 races and finishing third in the three-mile grind. Dick Conway, racing while on temporary leave from the Army, gained permanent possession of the N.C. Landon senior men's trophy by winning the three-mile event for the third time in a row.

Terpak Wins Two

Donald Terpak, a 15-year-old junior Pittsfield skater, took firsts in the 220 and 440 events in his class and third in the long 880. Jimmy (Mouse) Brown, a 13-year-old juvenile star, was first in the 220, second in the 440, and third in the 880.

And Bobby Canterella, competing in the midget class, was second in the one-sixth mile event. His younger brother, Paul, placed second in the pee wee one-tenth mile and 220 events.

Larry Herzig was third in the intermediate 220 while Mary Ann Komuniecki was first in the senior girls' mile event, second in the 220- and 440-races and third in the 880.

Other Results

Other results included Pat Fitzpatrick, who won the senior ladies' 880 event and placed third in the 220 and 440 races; Mary Lou Bromback, who took second in the juvenile girls' one-sixth mile event and second in the 220; Darrell Messer, who was third in the junior girls' 880 race; and Jo Ann Hollister, who was second in the special midget 220 and sixth-of-a-mile races.

The various speed skating teams will meet in Pittsfield next week end for the annual Berkshire Hills speed skating championships.

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DON TERPAK, Pittsfield's successful junior division skater, is another young man who deserves credit for making the long fight. As a midget a few winters back, it appeared that he was excess baggage among the Pittsfield Parks Speedskating Club's entries in Northern New York area meets. He was in one event after another without so much as getting a point. But he stayed at it, and today he's ranked with the best in his class.

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Park Skaters Finish Second In Hudson Meet

TROY, N.Y. — The Pittsfield (Mass.) Parks Speed Skating Club finished second in the final standings in the annual Hudson Valley indoor skating championships at the R.P.I. Field House yesterday. Senior star Alex Goguen of Pittsfield won the title in his division in the Eastern outdoor meet Saturday at Saratoga Springs.

The first races in the Eastern meet were conducted last month, but the event was postponed when warm weather turned the ice to slush. Goguen won the 220 and placed second in the 880 last month and wrapped up the senior title Saturday by winning the 440.

Pittsfield's Mary Ann Koumiecki was runner-up in the senior women's division in the Hudson Valley event yesterday with 60 points, 10 behind winner Barbara Christensen of Boston.

Hard-skating Art Longsjo, a former Pittsfield skater, captured the senior men's crown with 80 points.

Pittsfield Men To Compete in National Meet

Alex Goguen and Dick Conway, outstanding Pittsfield senior men skaters, will compete in the national skating championship meet Saturday and Sunday at St. Paul, Minn., instead of in the Berkshire Hills meet here.

Both left last night. Conway took a plane from Washington, D.C. He will represent the Army Proving Ground of Aberdeen, Md. Goguen went by train. He will wear the colors of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club and the Northern New York Skating Association.

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. . . Mary Lou Brombach's victories in the Long Island indoor championships certainly mark her as the most promising young skater since Nancy Ann Viner.

Top Eastern and Canadian Skaters Entered in Berkshire Hills Meet Here

Twenty Teams Will Compete In Winter Carnival Event

Races Start Saturday Afternoon On Rink at Common—Most Entrants Will Reside in Pittsfield Homes

By JOHN VANDER VOORT

Between 200 and 250 of the top racers in the Eastern United States and Canada will arrive in Pittsfield Friday night to compete in the eighth annual Berkshire Hills speed skating championships over the week end.

This two-day event, a sports high light of the Park Department's gala winter carnival festival, will open Saturday afternoon at 1. The second half of the extensive racing schedule will begin Sunday at the same hour.

To Race on the Common

The site chosen for the 1953 championships is the 374 by 186-foot outdoor rink at the Common on First Street. Crewmen have been working on the area all week in an effort to strengthen the ice for the pounding it will take.

Approximately six laps around the prescribed course constitute a mile. So, racers competing in the senior men's three-mile event will have to skate the track roughly 18 times.

The Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club, unofficial team titlist in last winter's meet, will act as host to the 20 clubs which will fly their colors in the championships.

Francis E. Douglas, GE wage supervisor, who is assistant coach of the local club, is race chairman. He said yesterday that skaters from points as distant as Cleveland and St. John's, Canada, will be entered.

Entering Clubs

A partial list of entering clubs includes: The Grand Street Boys' Club of New York City, Grossingers, Newburgh, Delano Hitch, all in New York, Bay State of Boston, Wilmington, Olympia, Leominster and Fitchburg, Syracuse, Rochester, St. John's in Canada, Cleveland, and Paterson and Concord, both in New Jersey.

Teams from the Northern New York Skating Association circuit will be Pittsfield, Glens Falls, Saranac Lake and Schenectady.

In all, Douglas stated, there will be approximately 46 individual races. Skaters will compete in seven classes. And they are: Senior men's and ladies' (over 18); intermediate boys and girls (16-18); junior boys and girls (14-16); juvenile boys and girls (12-14); midget boys and girls (10-12); special midget boys and girls (8-10); and pee wee boys and girls (under 8).

The majority of events will be run in heats, the number of which depends on the volume of entries, Douglas said.

Team Standings Unofficial

The race chairman explained that team standings in the Berkshire Hills are unofficial—the only recorded results are those made by individuals.

However, on an unofficial basis, Pittsfield won the event last winter. A special (unofficial) team trophy is annually awarded by the Northern New York skating group.

Last year, the weather didn't cooperate. Rain forced postponement of Saturday's events and all of the schedule could not be run on Sunday. The 1952 meet was held at Onota Lake.

A number of top competitors will be seeking additional laurels this week end, including Olympian Ray Blum of Paterson, N.J., one of the senior title-holders in the 1948 winter games at St. Moritz, Switzerland.

Entered also are Bobby Jahn of Concord, N.J., another outstanding senior racer; Eddie Dame of Lynn, the indoor senior champion and Al Broadhurst of Boston's Bay State Club, a member of the 1952 Olympic team.

These seniors will race against two Pittsfield stars, Alex Goguen, coach and star senior for the park skaters, and Dick Conway, an Army serviceman on leave. Conway holds the N. C. Landon three-mile trophy after winning that event for the third time in a row at the Mirror Lake championships week end at Lake Placid, N.Y.

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Silver Skate match in New York; and Pat McLean of Boston, senior event victor in the Massachusetts Silver Skates.

Jay Hasbrouck of Grossingers, N.Y., considered one of the top intermediate male stars in the country, is also entered.

The majority of competitors will stay in private homes. A few teams will reside at local hotels. It was explained that Pittsfield is one of the few places on the national racing circuit where racers are provided private accommodations.

Mrs. John J. Landers, chairman of the housing committee for the meet, stated that a few more rooms are needed.

SPEEDY SKATERS: Alex Goguen, left, and Dick Conway, will be among the senior star performers entered in the eighth annual Berkshire Hills speed skating championships at the Common Saturday and Sunday. Goguen has won many events, and Conway holds the senior three-mile title. Conway is on leave from the Army.

FAIR OR FOUL

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By Roger O'Gara

PITTSFIELD WON'T BE represented by any Nancy Ann Viners or high-ranking senior men in the eighth annual Berkshire Hills speed skating championships here this week end, but the races at Onota Lake should be interesting. Approximately 250 of the top competitors in the East will vie for honors tomorrow and Sunday.

The last-minute change in plans of Alex Goguen and Dick Conway robs the meet of some of its lustre. Both senior racers passed up the Berkshire Hills when they learned that they were eligible to compete in the national championship meet at St. Paul, Minn.

Goguen, 33, and Conway, 20, have been Pittsfield's most consistent point winners in the last three winters. Still no one can blame them for shooting for much bigger laurels. Yet the incident certainly calls for a closer checking of dates when future winter carnivals are planned. Obviously, if there is a home town skater good enough to qualify for the nationals, he should race here and in the bigger meet.

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THIS CITY HAS BEEN a big name in skating ever since little Nancy Ann Viner swept to the North American and national midget titles at Alpena, Mich., and St. Paul, respectively, back in 1948. Nancy Ann retired from competitive skating at the tender age of 14 in December of 1950, and no one has come forth to match her insofar as color and success are concerned. In four years, she won the nationals and the North Americans twice each, first as a midget, then as a juvenile. Her jewelry collection includes 74 medals and 13 trophies.

Nancy Ann's passing didn't stop skating in Pittsfield by any means, any more than Babe Ruth's retirement ended big league baseball. The Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club has had marked success as a group. Notwithstanding inferior ice conditions, which have been a severe handicap this winter, the city's young representatives have had a first, a second and a third in three outings. They won at Lake Placid, were third at Glens Falls, and are runners-up in some unfinished business at Saratoga.

The story of skating here would not be complete if it didn't contain a mention of the handful of adults who have helped. These people have assisted on trips by contributing their automobiles, and they'll be pitching tomorrow and Sunday to handle the countless details which are so necessary in an event of this kind.

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WITH ALL DUE RESPECT to Goguen and Conway, and their bids for greater conquest, Pittsfield people attending the races in the next 48 hours will be interested to learn the identity of the young men who stayed at home. Probably the best known is Larry Herzig, a chunky Pittsfield High junior, who was good enough last fall to win All-Berkshire honors as a football guard. Larry is rated as one of the most improved members of the skating team. He has made remarkable strides in his starts. He is entered in the intermediate class.

Don Terpak and James (Mousey) Brown are other contenders in their respective divisions, the junior and the juvenile. Both have baseball backgrounds. Terpak was an outfielder last summer on Pittsfield's Little Bigger League All-Stars. Brown, a colorful little guy, has been a standout for three years in Little League baseball.

Among the girls, the most highly-rated, according to what appears to be a reliable report reaching this hot house sitter, are seniors Patricia Fitzpatrick and Mary Ann Komuniecki and juvenile Mary Lou Brombach. The Misses Fitzpatrick and Komuniecki are so interested in skating that they ride bicycles all summer to keep their legs strong. In fact, it has reached the stage where they win as many points in the wheel races as they do on the ice.

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COACHING THE SKATERS is Francis Douglas, a 42-year-old General Electric wage rate supervisor, who learned the ice sport back in the 1920s by rubbing elbows with such greats as Teddy Combs, Phil Hiser and Joe Aspinall.

Douglas hasn't skated in competition in years, but he's a patient polar bear who for eight years has given up about every winter Sunday and a good many nights to further this cause.

The skating isn't the only event on the winter carnival program. Yet it's the most spectacular, and for that reason probably draws more people than the rest of the events combined. Still there will be considerable interest in the interscholastic ski meet, where Pittsfield High is expected to maintain its supremacy, the sled races, snow sculpturing, and several other forms of competition.

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IT COSTS ABOUT $4000 to put on the winter carnival show each year. Most of the money comes from the sale of buttons at 25 cents each. If you haven't been asked to buy one or more by an attractive young lady, brother, you have been leading a secluded life. So, if you still want to regard yourself as a dues-paying member of this community, you better get some fresh air tomorrow or Sunday at Onota Lake, and please have your quarter ready.

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WINTER CARNIVAL: Clouds, ice and speed skaters make a bright scene during the Pittsfield Park Department's winter carnival skating races at Onota Lake. Next Friday the Williams College winter carnival will begin.

Park Skaters Win Meet at Wilmington

Goguen Captures Three Events In Senior Class

WILMINGTON, N.Y.—The Pittsfield (Mass.) Parks Speed Skating Club ,accumulating 430 points, won the Wilmington outdoor skating championship here yesterday.

Alex Goguen, senior men's star, placed first in the 220, 440 and 880-yard events, and finished second in the two-mile race in his class. His victories added 110 points to the team score.

Mary Ann Komuniecki won the senior women's 220 and half-mile events to collect 60 points. Other point winners included Mary Lou Brombach who won the juvenile girls' 440 and placed second in the 220 for 50 points, and Bobby Cantarella who was second in the midget boys' 220, 440 and one-sixth-mile races for a total of 60 points.

Donald Terpak, another Pittsfield skater, accumulated 60 points by winning the junior boys' 440 and 880 to take the co-championship in his class. Jimmy (Mouse) Brown was third in the juvenile boys' 880, and Donald Wells won the midget boys' 220.

The Pittsfield skaters will compete in the Lake Placid (N.Y.) indoor meet next week end.

Conway Plans Another Crack At Olympic Skating in 1956

Pvt. Dick Conway of 11 Jones Avenue, one of two Pittsfield speed skaters competing in the national outdoor championships at St. Paul, Minn., failed to qualify Saturday in the senior men's 440-yard event.

The other Pittsfield skater, veteran Alex Goguen, competing in the same class, also failed to qualify. Both racers, stars on the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club, gave up a chance to compete in the Berkshire Hills championships over the week end to be at St. Paul.

Conway, who hit his speed skating stride in 1948, is stationed at Aberdeen Proving Grounds. He was given leave to enter the nationals.

Landon Trophy Winner

He missed an Olympic skating berth by a hair last year and is now anxious for another crack in 1956. His main achievement this winter was winning the N. C. Landon trophy after taking the Lake Placid, N.Y., senior three-mile race three years in a row.

Before he became a racer, Conway played hockey for Pittsfield High. He once considered playing professionally, but his quick rise in speed skating changed these plans.

In last winter's Olympic trials, Conway placed 10th, only four men away from a berth on the team.

Bicycle Champion

Besides skating, he's a capable cyclist, having won three events in the Worcester championships in in 1949—the one, two and five-mile races.

When he's discharged from service, 20 months from now, Conway plans to work with his father, owner of the Berkshire Express, here in the city. His father was also an outstanding skater in his younger days.

The elder Conway plans to offer a new trophy for three-mile skating events and young Dick is very likely to keep it in the family.

Skating Meet Set Tomorrow At the Common

Pittsfield's junior skiers, skaters and sledders will take the spotlight in Park Department winter carnival sports events this week.

First on the schedule will be the annual city skating meet tomorrow night at 6.30 at the Common. Crews from the Park Department have been working on the ice the past two days and hope to have it ready by race time. Members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club are ineligible to compete. William B. Hagyard Jr., is chairman of the event.

Two meets — the city ski races and the city sled races—will be at Clapp Park and start at 2 PM. Gustav G. Pilblad is chairman. The ski races begin at 1 PM at the Pittsfield State Forest and Winthrop N. Gutman is the chariman.

Also scheduled this week end as part of the carnival observance, is the ice fishing derby. Sponsored by the Stream Line Anglers' Club, this event will take place Sunday at Pontoosuc Lake.

Speed Skater's New Bicycle Destroyed in Fire

A new bicycle belonging to Jimmy (Mouse) Brown, popular juvenile skater for the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club, was destroyed Saturday afternoon when a small building behind his home on Lakeway Drive burned down.

Flames were roaring from the roof of the 8 by 10-foot shed when firemen arrived from the Peck's Road station. They were powerless to save the bicycle inside.

Also destroyed by the blaze of undetermined cause were 300 pounds of rags, a table and some chairs owned by Jimmy's father, James O. Brown of 187 Lakeway Drive. Neighbors were able to save a canoe hanging on the side of the building, however.

Mrs. Philip Obert, a neighbor, saw smoke coming from the shed at about 3.50 PM and put in the call to the Fire Department. Firemen quickly put out the blaze with a booster line and one 2½-inch hose, but the building was a total loss.

Boys', Girls' Skating Races On Common Tomorrow Night

Thirty-six races in six classes for boys and girls will be run tomorrow night in the annual Park Department's city skating meet, starting at 6.30 at the Common.

Boys and girls will compete in their own events, and a minimum of four entries are required in each race.

The youngsters will race in special midget (under 10), midget (under 12), juvenile (under 14), intermediate (under 18), junior (under 16), and senior classes. Junior, intermediate and juvenile contestants will compete in 220-yard, 440-yard and 880-yard races. Seniors will race in these three events plus a one-mile race. Midgets will be entered in 220-yard, 110-yard and 1/6-mile races, and special midgets will compete in 110-yard and 220-yard contests.

Contestants are to report at the Common a half hour before race time. Entries close at 5 this afternoon.

William B. Hagyard is chairman of the meet while Francis Douglas will serve as clerk of course. Alex Goguen will be the referee, Louis Conway, starter, and William Yeats, Norman Hollister and William Litty, timers. Charles Jordan, James Tobin, James Stack and Morris Corrinet will be the corner judges; Richard Briggs, Joseph Basiliere and William Fitzgerald are the place judges; and Miss Patricia Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Charles Jordan and Mrs. William Litty will be registrars.

Ribbons will be awarded to first, second and third-place winners in each race with trophies going to the high point skaters in each class.

Skating Races Are Postponed Until Tomorrow

Postponement of the city championship skating races scheduled for tonight on the Common was announced this morning by Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of recreation. He said the competition will be held tomorrow night at 6.30, if ice conditions permit.

The surface is rough today, Hebert added.

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QUEEN'S APPROVAL: Carnival queen Connie Dillon, left, presents a trophy to little Martha Brown, winner of the 220 and 110-yard events in the special midget girls' class in the annual city skating meet at the Common last night. Looking on is Donald Shantz who won the special midget boys' 110-yard race.

Pat Hogue and Ann Goerlach Star in City Skating Event

Dinn Wins Senior Boys' Trophy As 47 Young Racers Compete in 28 Events on the Ice at Common

A crowd of more than 400 shivering spectators stood in the shadows around the Common for more than two hours last night watching Pittsfield's junior racers flash their blades in the eighth annual city-wide skating meet.

The event was part of the Park Department's winter carnival celebration. There were 28 races and 47 contestants.

When the last race was over, newly-crowned carnival queen Connie Dillon presented trophies to the high point winners in the respective classes.

Competing in the various events were nearly all local skaters except the members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club.

But Patricia Hogue, undisputed trophy winner in the midget girls' division after winning the 110-yard, 220-yard and one-sixth-mile races in a row, was chosen to compete with the skating club in a meet this week end at Saranac, N.Y.

Above Her Class

And Ann Goerlach, skating two divisions above her class, took a first, second and third in three events for a total of 40 points.

Other trophy winners included Johnny Dinn with 100 points in the senior men's class. He won the 880-yard and mile races and placed second in the 220 and 440. Ken Wells amassed 70 points in the intermediate boys' group by winning the 880 and finishing second in the 220 and 440.

Joseph Basilliere totaled 80 points to become trophy winner in the junior boys' class. He placed first in the 220 and 880, and finished a close second behind Ed Plouffe in the 440.

Little Eric Plump gained 70 points and was awarded the trophy in the juvenile boys' group. He won the 880 and finished second in the 220 and 440.

Midget Boys' Sweep

Donald Maselli received 90 points in the midget boys' class with a clean sweep in the 110, 220 and one-sixth-mile races. John F. Molinari gained 40 points in this class with seconds in the one-sixth-mile and 220.

Little Don Terpak, with a first in the 220-yard event, became trophy winner in the special midget boys' class. Don Shantz won the 110 and Gerald Terpak was second in both races.

Ann Goerlach was first in the junior girls' 440 while her cousin, Kathryn, was first in the 220 and 880. Kathryn was the trophy winner with 80 points; Ann accounted for 40 points. Patricia Hogue, with her sweep in three events, was awarded the midget girls' trophy, and Martha Brown, with firsts in the 110 and 220, received the special midget girls' trophy. She totaled 60 points. Eleanor Smith, finishing second in both these races, had 40 points.

Race officials were: Francis Douglas, clerk of course; Alex Goguen, referee; Louis Conway, starter; William B. Hagyard and Norman Hollister, timers; Joseph Basiliere, William Litty and Arthur Wells, judges; Walter Goerlach, James Stack, James Tobin and Morris Corrinet, corner judges; Miss Mary England and Mrs. Charles Jordan, registrars; Warren Sears, first aid; Myles Stanton and Paul Perachi, messengers; Barry Hollister and James Brown, programs.

Park Skaters To Compete in Saranac Meet

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Goguen To Seek Possession of Three-Mile Trophy

Bolstered by the return of senior star Alex Goguen who just finished competing in the national championships at St. Paul, Minn., the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club will race tomorrow and Sunday in the ninth annual Adirondack outdoor meet at Saranac Lake, N.Y.

Goguen will defend his senior title and will also be seeking the third and final leg on the Edmund Horton three-mile memorial trophy.

Also wearing the Pittsfield colors this week end will be versatile Joanne Hollister, special midget girls' star, Mary Lou Brombach, outstanding juvenile racer, and Donald Terpak, junior boys' skater. All three were high point winners in the recent Berkshire Hills meet.

To Race as Junior

Competing for the first time in the junior boys' class will be Jimmy (Mouse) Brown. He was high point skater in the midget class at Saranac last winter, sweeping first place in all events. He has one junior class trophy to his credit this year.

Maurice Corrinet is handling the transportation for the local skaters. Francis Douglas and John Cantarella will also make the trip.

Park Skaters Take Title At Saranac

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Pittsfield Team Scores 610 Points In Two-Day Meet

SARANAC LAKE, N.Y. — The Pittsfield (Mass.) Parks Speed Skating Club captured the ninth annual Adirondack outdoor title here over the week end, amassing a total of 610 points in the two-day skating event.

The Pittsfield team was ahead with 360 points after Saturday's races.

Senior skater Alex Goguen won the three-mile and 440-yard races and placed second in the 880 and one-mile events. Art Longsjo, a former Pittsfield skater, captured the senior men's high point total. He now skates for Leominster, Mass.

Don Terpak, outstanding junior boys' competitor, was second in the 880 and 440, third in the 220 and one-sixth mile. Little Jimmy (Mouse) Brown placed second in the juvenile boys' one-sixth mile and third in the 220 and 440.

Midget Champion

Bobby Cantarella captured the co-championship in the midget class yesterday with a second in the 440. He was second in the 220 and first in the one-sixth mile Saturday.

Mary Ann Komuniecki won the senior women's 880 and finished second in the 220 and three-quarter-mile races yesterday and took firsts in the one-mile and 440 Saturday. She captured the championship in her class.

Mary Lou Brombach, racing in the juvenile girls' class, was second in the 220 yesterday and first in the one-mile and 440 Saturday.

Other results included Joanne Hollister with a third in the special midget girls' one-sixth mile race; Paul Cantarella, winner of the Pee Wee boys' title with his victory in the 220, and Barry Hollister second in the midget boys' one-sixth mile and third in the 440.

Larry Herzig was third in the intermediate 440 yesterday and Don Wells won the special midget one-sixth mile Saturday.

Saturday's races were supposed to be held during the day, but they didn't begin until after dark because of unusually poor ice conditions.

Miss Bromback Wins Twice at Lake Placid

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Bobby Cantarella Is Only Other Pittsfield Victor

Dark-haired Mary Lou Brombback sped over the Lake Placid Olympic Arena ice for two firsts to lead the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club at the International Indoor Speed Skating championships over the week end.

The 13-year-old speedster won both the 440 and 330-yard events in the juvenile girls' group.

The only other winner from Pittsfield was Bobby Cantarella, who won the midgets' 330 event. He also came in third in the 220.

Big gun in the championship event was Ed Dame of Revere who won three out of five titles. A former Pittsfield skater, Art Longsjo, now of Leominster, was the only other man to break into the senior winning circle. He won the three-mile race.

Other Pittsfield skaters and their results are: Alex Goguen, second in the three-quarter mile; Jimmy (Mouse) Brown, third in the 440; Mary Ann Komuniecki, second in the 880 and one mile and third in the three-quarter mile.

The personable Brown, racing in the juvenile class, was chosen as carnival king.

The summary:

Senior Men

220 yards—1st, Ned Hine; 2d, John J. Dinn; 3d, Jack Vincent.
440 yards—1st, Ned Hine; 2d, John J. Dinn; 3d, Jack Vincent.
880 yards—1st, John J. Dinn; 2d, Jack Vincent; 3d, Ned Hine.
1 mile—1st John J. Dinn; 2d, Jack Vincent; 3d, Ned Hine.

Intermediate Boys

220 yards—1st, Bruce Robarge; 2d, Kenneth J. Wells; 3d, Jerry Parker.
440 yards—1st, Jerry Parker; 2d, Kenneth J. Wells; 3d, Bruce Robarge.
880 yards—1st, Kenneth J. Wells; 2d, Jerry Parker; 3d, Bruce Robarge.

Junior Boys

220 yards—1st, Joseph Basiliere; 2d, John Cook; 3d, Paul Robarge.
440 yards—1st, Edward Plouffe; 2d, Joseph Basiliere; 3d, John Cook.
880 yards—1st, Joseph Basiliere; 2d, David Viner; 3d, Edward Plouffe.

Juvenile Boys

220 yards—1st, Robert Battistoni; 2d, Eric Plump; 3d, Richard Ormsbee.
440 yards—1st, Eric Plump; 2d, Robert Battistoni; 3d, Alphone Pigott.
880 yards—1st, Richard Ormsbee; 2d, Eric Plump; 3d, Alphonse Pigott.

Midget Boys

110 yards—1st, Donald Maselli; 2d, John DiCicco; 3d, Larry Williams.
220 yards—1st, Donald Maselli; 2d, John F. Molineri; 3d, Larry Williams.
1-6 mile—1st, Donald Maselli; 2d, John F. Molinari; 3d, John DiCicco.

Special Midget Boys

110 yards—1st, Donald Shantz; 2d, Gerald Terpak.
220 yards—1st, Donald Terpak; 2d, Gerald Terpak.

Junior Girls

220 yards—1st, Kathryn Goerlach; 2d, Ruth Ann Boling; 3d, Ann Goerlach.
440 yards—1st, Ann Goerlach; 2d, Kathryn Goerlach; 3d, Ruth Ann Boling.
880 yards—1st, Kathryn Goerlach; 2d, Ann Goerlach; 3d, Ruth Ann Boling.

Midget Girls

110 yards—1st, Patricia Hogue; 2d, Dorothy Stanton; 3d, Della Riley.
220 yards—1st, Patricia Hogue; 2d, Carol Laramee; 3d, Della Riley.
1-6 mile—1st, Patricia Hogue; 2d, Della Riley; 3d, Dorothy Stanton.

Special Midget Girls

110 yards—1st, Martha Brown; 2d, Elenor Smith; 3d, Janet Riley.
220 yards—1st, Martha Brown; 2d, Elenor Smith; 3d, Glenora Zofrea.

Up From the Ranks

Local Speed Skating Club Builds From Within Itself

2-26-53

By JOHN VANDER VOORT

If ability is the measure of success, then the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club shouldn't have any competitive worries for some time to come.

Some skeptics may claim there won't be any young talent to fill the gaps created when today's senior stars pass their peak. But a look at the roster shows there are many potential champions winning trophies in the diminutive ranks.

Success has been synonomous with the local skating organization since its inception in 1946. And each season, midget and juvenile stars of the previous year have gone on to bigger things in the older classes.

The record indicates there was only one notable exception. Nancy Ann Viner, winner of the midget North American and national titles in 1948, retired two winters later at the ripe young age of 14. By then, she had won 73 medals and 13 trophies.

No Retrenchment

Progression through the ran[illegible] has been the key to amateur a[illegible] complishments on the Park De[illegible] partment-sponsored team. And[illegible] retrenchment seems likely in the near future, for Francis E. Douglas, coach since the club first competed in a meet eight years ago, can point to many of his present youngsters as the senior lights of tomorrow.

The Park Skaters have never really experienced a poor year. Some seasons have been better than others, but defeat is a word seldom used.

Although the 1952-53 season is not over—and it's conceivable the team may yet suffer a serious setback—everything points to another banner winter.

Out of six meets so far, the team has finished first on three occasions, second in two events and third in the other. And there are at least three more championships to be decided.

In the opening Northeastern New York outdoor meet at Glens Falls, N.Y., Jan. 3-4, the Park Skaters finished third behind arch-rival Newburgh, N.Y., and the Bay State Club of Boston. They won their second start, capturing the Mirror Lake outdoor championships, Jan. 25, at Lake Placid.

No Official Scoring

In the important Berkshire Hills outdoor meet here, Pittsfield was edged by Newburgh in the two-day standings. Points were kept the first day, but official scoring was abandoned the next because of bad weather.

The Adirondack outdoor title, Feb. 7-8, at Saranac Lake, N.Y., went to Pittsfield with a near-record 610 points. And a second in the Hudson Valley outdoor championships prompted the team to win the Wilmington outdoor meet last week end with 430 points.

And so it has gone through the years. Depending on the next three meets, one in New York and two in Boston, the team could wind up with a splendid or no less than average season. Average, for the Park Skaters, is a mighty fast pace.

The best of the eight seasons was 1951 when Pittsfield won 11 of 14 starts, collected 40 titles, 176 medals and racked up 5650 points.

Point of Success

Much of this winter's success can be attributed to tall Alex Goguen, an outstanding senior star who works for the Park Department.

Goguen, much respected on the New York Association racing circuit, is enjoying one of his best years, despite the fact he didn't fare well in the nationals at St. Paul, Minn.

In the opening Northeastern New York contest, he won the 440, was second in the 220 and fifth in the five-mile grind. At Lake Placid in the Mirror Lake meet, he won the senior mile event, finished second in the 880, 440 and 220 and third in the three-mile race.

Because of the nationals, he didn't compete in the Berkshire Hills, but in the Adirondack outdoor meet he won the three-mile and 440, and was second in the 880. Last week end at Wilmington, he won the 220, 440 and 880.

Quite a record. Goguen is a mild, oft-spoken fellow who doesn't much look like a skater, but out on the ice, he's a terrific competitor with power-packed drive.

Important Factor

Another important reason for Pittsfield's string of victories has been pretty Mary Ann Komuniecki, an 18-year-old senior skater who is always near or on top in her class.

Coach Douglas has several youngsters who are competing in their class for the first time, and Jimmy (Mouse) Brown, recently promoted from the midget to the juvenile class, are two of the most improved racers on the squad. Both have established enviable records.

Mary Lou Brombach, 13, is new to the juvenile girls' group, and she's setting a fast pace. Bobby Cantarella is one of Douglas' top midget racers, and Paul Perachi, a newcomer to the juvenile ranks, [illegible] promising.

The local team will compete in the important Lake Placid outdoor championship this week end, and next month will be racing at Rye, N.Y., and in Boston.

And even if the Pittsfield skaters don't win another point, they will have had a good season.

21 Park Skaters Competing In Indoor Meet at Placid

2-21-53

Twenty-one members of the high-scoring Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club left town early today to compete in the important international indoor championships this week end at Lake Placid, N.Y.

The local racers, among more than 250 entries, will have to beat many of the crack American and Canadian stars if they hope to bring home the bacon.

The 16-lap track in Placid's Olympic Arena will test the skill today and tomorrow of such notables as Eddie Dame of Revere, Bobby Jahn of Bogota, N.J., Al Broadhurst of New York City, Art Longsjo, a former Pittsfield racer now wearing the Leominster colors, and the city's own senior star, Alex Goguen.

Tenley Albright Exhibition

As a special attraction, Tenley Albright of Newton, the 17-year-old world's figure skating champion, has been invited to give an exhibition. Her brother, Niles, is entered in the races.

The local representatives left this morning at 6.30. The opening events are scheduled for this afternoon, continuing tonight and winding up tomorrow afternoon.

The park skaters, who have amassed a total of 2610 points in six meets thus far this winter, figure to be in strong contention, both in individual and team standings.

Leading five individual point gainers have been: Senior, Mary Ann Komuniecki, 430; senior, Goguen, 400; juvenile Mary Lou Brombach, 360; juvenile Don Terpak, 320; and midget Bobby Cantarella, an even 300.

Terpak Not Competing

Members of this quintet, except Terpak, will race at Placid.

Other skaters on the week-end roster include: Paul Cantarella, Don Wells, Barry Hollister, Jimmy (Mouse) Brown, Myles Stanton, Paul Perachi, Patricia Wells, Keyeburn Hollister, Dave Tobin, Dick Dinn, Lawrence Wells, Robert Dunn, Mary Corrinet, Daryl Messer, Bobby Wells and Pat Fitzpatrick.

Out of the full line-up of 28 skaters, all but nine added points to the total team score this winter. To date, the Pittsfield skaters have earned 18 individual trophies.

Mary Lou Wins Two Skating Titles At Rye, N.Y.

2-9-53

RYE, N.Y. — Juvenile women's star Mary Lou Bromback of the Pittsfield (Mass.) Park Speed Skating Club last night clinched first place in the 220 and 440-yard events in the indoor speed skating championships here.

Mary Ann Komuniecki, also representing the Pittsfield team, finished second in the senior women's 440-yard race.

Other Pittsfield skaters who falied to place but who were competing in the meet were Alex Goguen, Don Terpak, Paul Perachi and Bobby Cantarella.

Alex Goguen Wins Lap Prize In Bowles Race

2-23-53

SPRINGFIELD — Alex Goguen, the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club senior star, won the lap prize in the Sherman H. Bowles memorial two-mile race at the Eastern States Coliseum Saturday night.

Goguen, winner or many senior trophies and medals in this year's competition, set the early pace as he stayed out front for 13 of the first 15 laps. He was awarded a traveling bag.

Winner of this important skating event, was Edgar Dame of Revere, who took the lead on the 21st lap and stayed ahead until the finish. Dick Ring, an up-and-coming youngster from Lynn, finished second with Al Broadhurst of Boston, third.

Bobby Jahn of Bogota, N.J., was [illegible]urth, Don Norwood of Boston, [illegible]h, and Art Longsjo of Leomin[illegible]r, a former Pittsfield star, was [illegible]h. Goguen placed seventh in eight-man field.

3 Local Skaters Named for Races In Canada

3-11-53

Three skaters were nominated last night by the Pittsfield Park Speed club to participate in the North American Indoor Skating Meet at Edmonton, Canada. They are the Misses Mary Lou Bromback and Mary Ann Komuniecki and Alex Goguen. The trio were picked for the indoor event, scheduled for April, because of their showings at indoor and outdoor skating events this year.

For the remaining meets this season, skaters will have to pay their own traveling expenses. Meets coming up are: Flushing Meadows, N. Y., March 22; the Northeastern Indoor Skating Championships at Lynn, March 29; and the New England Indoor Speed Skating Championship at Boston Skating Club in Brighton, April 12.

The Pittsfield Club has distributed 12,000 Gold Arrow circulars to raise funds for skating meet expenses.

Mary Lou Wins Again In N.Y. Meet

3/2/53 3/5/53

Pittsfield Skater Is Awarded Three Trophies

FLUSHING, N.Y. — Versatile Mary Lou Brombach, 13-year-old juvenile star of the Pittsfield (Mass.) Parks Speed Skating Club, brought home three trophies from the Long Island indoor championships here Saturday night.

Mary Lou, winner of numerous awards in northeastern New York and New England competition this winter, was the individual high point winner in the meet, and placed first in the 330 and 440-yard events in her class.

In the combined Flushing Meadows indoor championships yesterday afternoon, Pittsfield's senior women's star, Mary Ann Komuniecki, finished second in the 440 and third in the tedious 880-yard race.

And Alex Goguen, who joined the team here yesterday after competing in the Sherman Bowles memorial races at Springfield, Mass., Saturday night, added points to his season total with seconds in the three-quarter-mile and mile races.

Goguen finished seventh among a top-seeded field in the two-mile grind at Springfield, and also received a special award—a leather traveling case—for leading the pack 13 out of the first 15 laps.

Park Skaters Win Awards In Lynn Meet

3-21-54

Mary Lou Bromback And Patricia Hogue Win Class Trophies

LYNN — Cute, little Mary Lou Bromback, 13-year-old star racer for the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club, won the junior girls' trophy here Sunday night in the New England indoor skating championships at the North Shore Sports Center.

Mary Lou, who won four prizes in the Long Island indoor championships a week ago and numerous other awards in different meets earlier in the season, received her trophy for finishing first in the 440 and 660-yard events.

Recipient of the midget girls' trophy was little Patricia Hogue of Pittsfield, who won the 220 and 440-yard races in her class. Senior star Mary Ann Komuniecki, also of Pittsfield, placed first in the long 880-yard race.

The Pittsfield skaters will remain idle now until Saturday and Sunday, April 11-12, when they will compete in the metropolitan indoor championships here and in the New England indoor championships at Brighton.

Mary Lou Wins Another Skating Race

3-20-53

Bobby Cantarella Also Triumphs In Brooklyn Meet

BROOKLYN, N.Y. — Fast-flying Mary Lou Bromback of the Pittsfield (Mass.) Parks Speed Skating Club, won the juvenile girls' 440 and placed third in the 330-yard event in the Eastern States indoor skating championships at the Brooklyn Ice Palace yesterday.

Mary Lou, Pittsfield's most promising young skater and winner of many titles in this winter's competition, was tied with two other girls fort he juvenile division title.

In a skate-off to decide the champion, she took a nasty spill which put her out of the running.

Little Bobby Cantarella, the only other Pittsfield representative competing in the skating club's last meet of the season, captured the 220-yard title in the midget boys' division. In doing so, he defeated the defending titlist, a Brooklyn skater.

Bobby was also entered in the 330-yard race, but fell and was unable to finish.

Corrinet Named President of Park Skaters

4-29-

Maurice C. Corrinet, father of junior skater Mary Corrinet, was elected president of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club for the 1953-54 season at a meeting of club officials Monday night.

Lawrence Herzig was named vice-president, Miss Daryl Messer, secretary, and Mrs. Charles R. Jordan of the Park Department, treasurer, to round out the slate for next season. Miss Corrinet will also serve as assistant treasurer.

It was decided to hold club meetings on Monday instead of Tuesday evenings during the coming year. Meetings will be held on a monthly basis until next fall when weekly sessions will be resumed. Members will be notified of meeting dates by the club secretary.

Members were urged to assist the president in fund-raising projects to meet expenses for the coming year.

City Skating Rinks Expected To Be Ready for Weekend

There was no ice skating at any of the city areas today, but the Park Department sounded the optimistic note that there might be some over the weekend.

Supt. Vincent J. Hebert said the Pittsfield High School hockey rink and the Clapp Park area were flooded last night and should be ready tomorrow night if it remains cold. He said that Springside Pond might be ready tomorrow morning.

Mr. Hebert said that a crew also started working on the Common last night, but had to quit because of mechanical failure.

Skaters are warned to keep off of lakes, ponds and rivers as the ice is not safe.

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April 21, 1953 **

Speed Skater's Fleetness Helps Save Burning House

Fast skating Mary Ann Komuniecki ran a house-saving race to call the fire department this morning when she discovered a fire in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rapkowicz at 42 Jones Avenue.

The Park Department speed skating star was delivering bread from her father's bakery when she detected the fire. She sped in the delivery truck to the home of Mrs. Mary Zack at 58 Oxford Street and called the fire department.

Engine 1 at the West Housatonic Street station arrived at the scene at about 11.30 to find R. E. Stracuzzi of 55 Stearns Avenue pouring buckets of water over the flames. A booster line quickly saved the house.

Lieutenant William F. Troy said the fire started from an over-heated open air register and had spread to the surrounding floor, the rug and an upholstered chair. The firemen credited Miss Komuniecki's quick alarm and Stracuzzi's fast action with preventing serious damage to the house.

Park Skaters Are Honored By N.Y. Group

5-5-53

Pittsfield Bids For Title Meet Next January

The Pittsfield Park Speed Skating Club and members Alex Goguen, Mary Ann Komuniecki, Donald Terpak and Mary Lou Bromback were honored Sunday at the annual meeting of the Northern New York Skating Association at Saratoga, N.Y.

The local club, for the second consecutive time, was awarded the championship pennant for having scored the greatest number of points during the winter's sanctioned competition.

Individual Stars

And the four skaters were recognized as the top individual stars in their respective divisions. Goguen and Miss Komuniecki are seniors, Terpak is an intermediate and Miss Bromback is a juvenile.

Kenneth Kearney of Utica, N.Y., was elected president of the association, and Francis Douglas, coach of the Pittsfield team, was named first vice-president.

Douglas, as official representative for the Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee, placed a bid with the association to hold the 1954 North American outdoor championships here next winter. If Pittsfield is selected, the meet will be held Jan. 30-31 on Onota Lake as part of the annual winter carnival festival.

Pittsfield Considered

Richard Sherman of Jamestown, N.Y., president and representative at the meet of the United States Amateur Skating Union, said he would like to see both the North American indoor and outdoor championship meets held in the East next year. He said Pittsfield was one of two locations being considered for the outdoor event.

The New York association will meet again on Sunday, Oct. 3. The 1954 skating schedule will be decided at that time.

Speed Skating Club Will Be Insured Against Accidents

The Pittsfield Speed Skating Club voted last night to sponsor an accident insurance policy for each paid member skater this winter.

Funds for the policies will be taken from the various sales that the club has conducted this year. It was also announced that uniforms will be fitted at the next meeting, Dec. 29 at Springside House.

The first meet the local skaters will compete in will be at Glens Falls, N.Y., Jan. 2 and 3. All entries must be in the Parks and Recreation Department office by Monday, Dec. 21. Members who have not paid their dues for the current season were requested to do so if they wish to skate in the Glens Falls meet.

Twenty-two attended last night's meeting.

Speed Skating Club To Collect Papers

10-15-

The Park Department Speed Skating Club will meet tomorrow night at 7:30 at Springside House. A paper drive will be conducted Saturday to raise funds for the coming season. The half of the city to the east of North-South Streets will be covered Saturday. The other section will be canvassed in a week or so. Residents with rags or paper for collection should contact the Park Department. It is requested that bundles be tied and placed on porches.

Park Skaters To Compete This Weekend

12-30-53

The Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club will open its 1954 season Saturday and Sunday in a meet at Glens Falls, N.Y. Sixteen members will make the trip. They will leave Pittsfield from the Park Department office, 52 School St., Saturday and Sunday mornings at 9.

Speed Skating Club Plans Fund Projects

10/17/53

Fund raising projects were the main order of business at last night's meeting of the Pittsfield Speed Skating Club, the first of the season.

Pres. Maurice C. Corrinet outlined tentative plans for a white elephant sale, a scrap paper drive and other money-making ideas. The sale will be at the club's next meeting, Oct. 20 at 7.30 p.m. in Springside House and the paper drive is slated for later this month.

The president reminded all members that club dues are being collected.

10-21-53

Skating Club Plans Paper Drive Saturday

Twenty-four members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club meet at Springside House last night and plans for a fund-raising paper drive were discussed.

The skaters will cover the east section of the city Saturday. A similar drive will be held in the west side of town in two weeks. Arrangements to have paper and rag bundles collected should be made at the Park Department office no later than 5 p.m. Friday.

A total of $16.63 was realized at a recent white elephant sale.

11-18-53

30 lines

Paper Drive Scheduled by Skating Club

A paper drive on all streets west of North and South Streets will be held Saturday by the Pittsfield Speed Skating Club, it was announced at a meeting of the club in Springside House last night.

Persons with paper to be collected are asked to telephone their names and addresses to the Department of Parks and Recreation. Proceeds from the drive will help defray the cost of conducting skating meets.

The club also voted to help conduct the used equipment sale that is held annually by the Winter Sports Committee. Mrs. James Tobin will be chairman of the sale, with Mrs. Maurice Corrinet and Mrs. Lou Conway assisting.

It was announced that the club is still collecting Gold Arrow stamps and that anyone wishing to turn over extra ones, or a partially filled book, to the club may do so by contacting Maurice Corrinet, club president.

Basiliere Named Coach Of Speed Skating Club

12/22/53

Supt. Vincent J. Hebert disclosed today that Alfred J. Basiliere, former New England champion and winner of many other titles, has been named coach of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club.

Basiliere, energetic manager of the Hinsdale Country Club, succeeds Alex Goguen, who plans to devote full time to his own skating training in what may be his last competitive season.

Hitting his top racing stride in the early 1930s Basiliere won the New England crown three times, earned numerous sectional titles and for several seasons represented the GEAA in different meets.

A native of Malone, N.Y., he has worked for GE for 11 years. Married, he has three children, including Joseph, 13, who has figured prominently in Little League baseball in Pittsfield and was an outstanding midget skating racer.

Goguen, a motor equipment operator with the Park Department, has earned a remarkable record with the local club, particularly in recent seasons as a senior-division competitor.

The Park Skaters, despite lack of good ice conditions, have already started practice for the 1954 season. President Maurice Corrinet has announced that the club will meet Tuesday night, Dec. 29, at 7.30 at Springside House. The first Northern New York Skating Assn. meet will be held Jan. 2 - 3, at Glens Falls, N.Y. The club now is covered by an insurance policy that protects members against accidents in a meet and during practice.

Winner of the NNYSA championship last season, the club will have to maintain a torrid pace if it hopes to equal its 1952-53 record.

Active members are: Mary Ann Komuniecki, Mary Lou Brombach, Kenneth J. Wells Jr., Robert and Paul Cantarella, David Tobin, Patricia Fitzpatrick, Miles Stanton, Daryl Messser, Mary Corrinet, Donald Wells, Richard Dinn, Don Terpak, Paul Perachi, Richard Battistoni, Jimmy Brown and Patricia Hogue.

Dance Instruction For Young Adults Scheduled Tonight

Don West of the Berkshire County Square Dance Assn. will instruct members of the Park Department Young Adult Group at 7:30 this evening at Springside House. The free instruction is open to any young person over 18.

A Christmas carol sing during the evening will be accompanied by Miss Betty Minneci at the piano and Miss Bing Bell at the "squeeze box."

The regular social will begin at 9, with round dancing, bridge and ping-pong.

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Parks Skating Club To Race At Saratoga This Weekend

1/8/54

The Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club, off and running with seven first places in the season opening at Glens Falls meet last weekend, will be out to earn additional laurels tomorrow and Sunday at Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Fourteen skaters, ranging from midgets to seniors, will represent the club in this second Northeastern New York Skating Assn. meet of the winter.

The group will make the round trip each day, leaving by auto from the Park Department office, 52 School St., at 9:30 a.m. Practice sessions were conducted Tuesday and yesterday.

Pittsfield finished in second place behind Newburgh, N.Y., in the team standings last weekend. The winners aggregated 310 points, and the local club was only 10 points shy. Leominster, mostly as a result of the fine showing made by Art Longsjo, the former Pittsfield star, finished third with 230 points.

Mary Lou Brombach, who this season has advanced to the junior ranks, continued her excellent showing with two individual victories. Young Paul Cantarella won the special midget races both days. And senior star Mary Ann Komuniecki won the 880 and 220-yard events in her division.

10/31/53

Plouffe

WITCH HAZEL is not a lotion in this case, but is the name of the latest General Electric float that will appear in the city's Halloween parade. She is a horror, more than 20 feet high, with scraggly hair and hunched back. Hazel and other creations will march tonight at 7:30.

Chief Lists Driving Rules For Parade

10/30/53

Police Chief Thomas H. Calnan said today the annual Halloween parade tomorrow night is expected to draw as well or better than last year's parade, which attracted 35,000, and he urged the public to co-operate with the police in making the event a safe one.

The chief asked motorists to park "several blocks from the line of march and walk to the parade." He also asked that drivers refrain from traveling in the vicinity of the formation point around Park Square as well as the parade route along North Street.

Rotary traffic around Park Square will be halted at 7:15, 15 minutes before the parade starts. Parking will be banned on the north side of East Street from Allen to First Streets and on the north side of Wahconah Street from North Street to Briggs Avenue.

Pittsfield, Massachusetts, Tuesday, November 3, 1953.

PARADE-SIDE SEATS were provided children from the Crippled Children's School Halloween night by A. Wright Gibson, manager of the Sheraton Hotel. Mr. Gibson, kneeling, served refreshments to the youngsters, and they were entertained by spacemen and devils from the GE rocket and Hazel the Witch. The Halloween party is provided annually by the Sheraton management.

Council Thanks GE for Part in Halloween Parade

11-11-53

A resolution expressing Pittsfield's "deep and lasting gratitude to GE and its employes" for their contributions to the Park Department Halloween parade was adopted unanimously by the City Council last night.

Submitted by Council President Patrick E. Callaghan, the resolution cited the huge number of man-hours expended on the GE floats and emphasized the role of the parade in reducing juvenile Halloween vandalism.

Notes and Footnotes

11/4/53

THOUGHTS WHILE ROCKING: Building Editor Bob Kimball surprised at receiving by mail a review copy of new book on interplanetary travel, *Outer Space*. Mr. K lives in New Ashford, which is outer space enough for anyone . . . Thirty years ago, 1923, Pittsfield had biggest Halloween parade in history. Two miles long, with floats from every store. Twenty-three from GE, which included rooster with eyes that flashed, and artificial lightning display that flashed plenty, too . . . Local

More Work for Hazel?

To the Editor of THE EAGLE: 11/4/53

Once again this past Halloween, my young family and myself enjoyed the fine Park Department parade. It was made more wonderful by the cooperation of the people of our town who work in the General Electric Company and donated their time and energy to those four floats.

My childhood was spent in New York City and I firmly believed that nothing would top the Thanksgiving Day parade sponsored by Macy's.

Time and the past two Halloween parades in Pittsfield have proved my belief wrong.

I was glad to learn that the floats will not be destroyed, but stored until next year. However, I was wondering if instead of leaving those wonderful mechanical floats idle for the year, they couldn't be rented to other cities that have parades between Halloweens and use the money received for one or more scholarships for girls who wish to become nurses, teachers, etc., or for boys who may wish to enter similar fields that do not benefit the GE company directly.

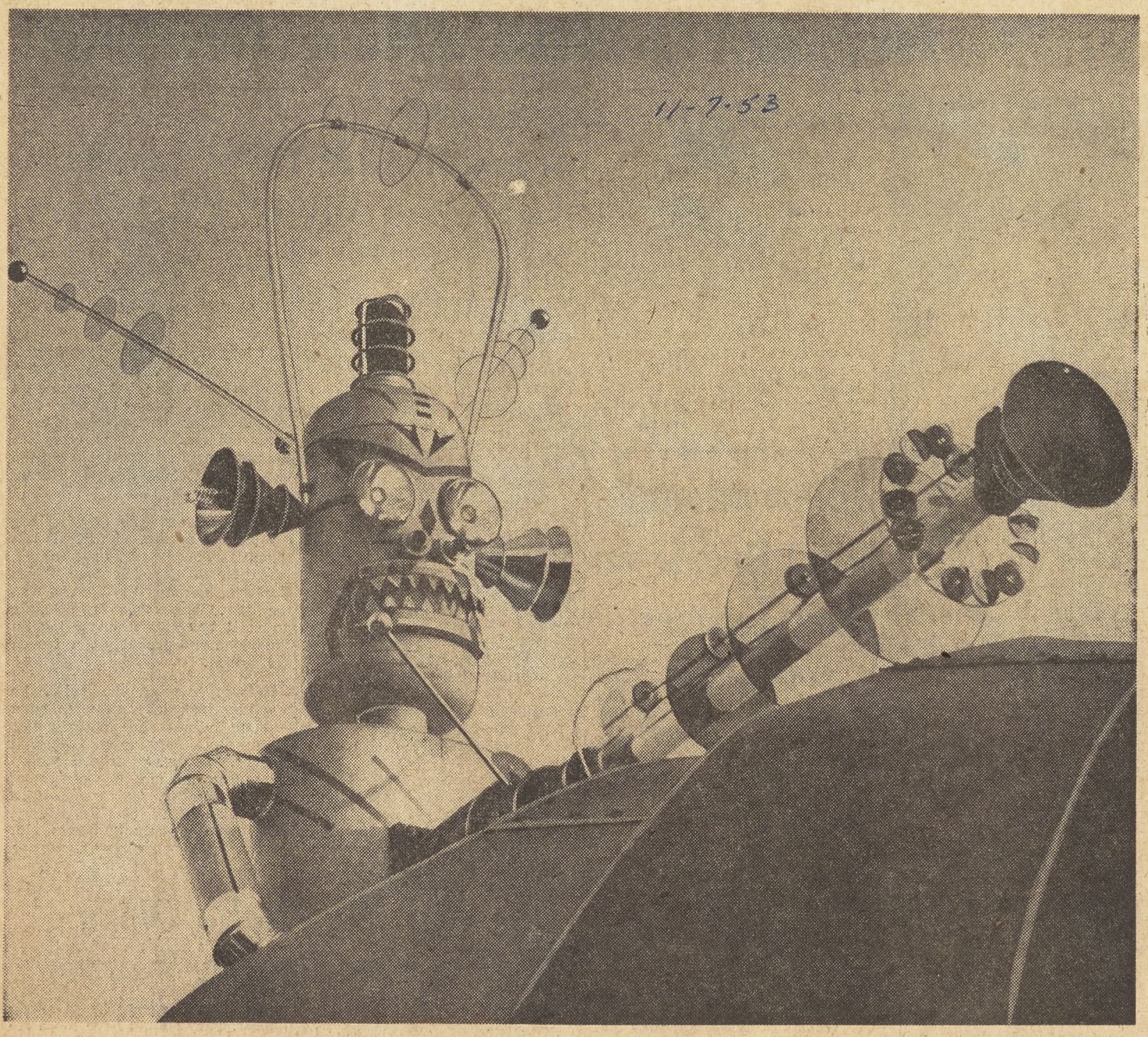
If some idea like this was adopted, GE workers would feel even better than now as they woud be helping to keep our young growing citizens out of mischief on Halloween and later helping our young adults to become useful citizens.

Mrs. JAMES BELCHER.
Pittsfield.

Quotes

HAZEL'S VOICE was produced by Joseph Pavin of 50 New Hampshire Ave., who spoke over a microphone inside. Mr. Pavin also designed the GE witch and supplied the voice for her cat, too.

COMMANDER of 17-man crew aboard GE Halloween rocket ship was Larry Olds of State Line, who wears a shirt bearing name of the ship. In the plant, the project was called "Operation Spook."



BOJO THE ROBOT was the mechanical monster on top of the General Electric space ship in the Halloween parade, in case you missed it or didn't get a close look. His eyes, ears and skull lighted up and an unhealthy ray gun protruded from his chest.

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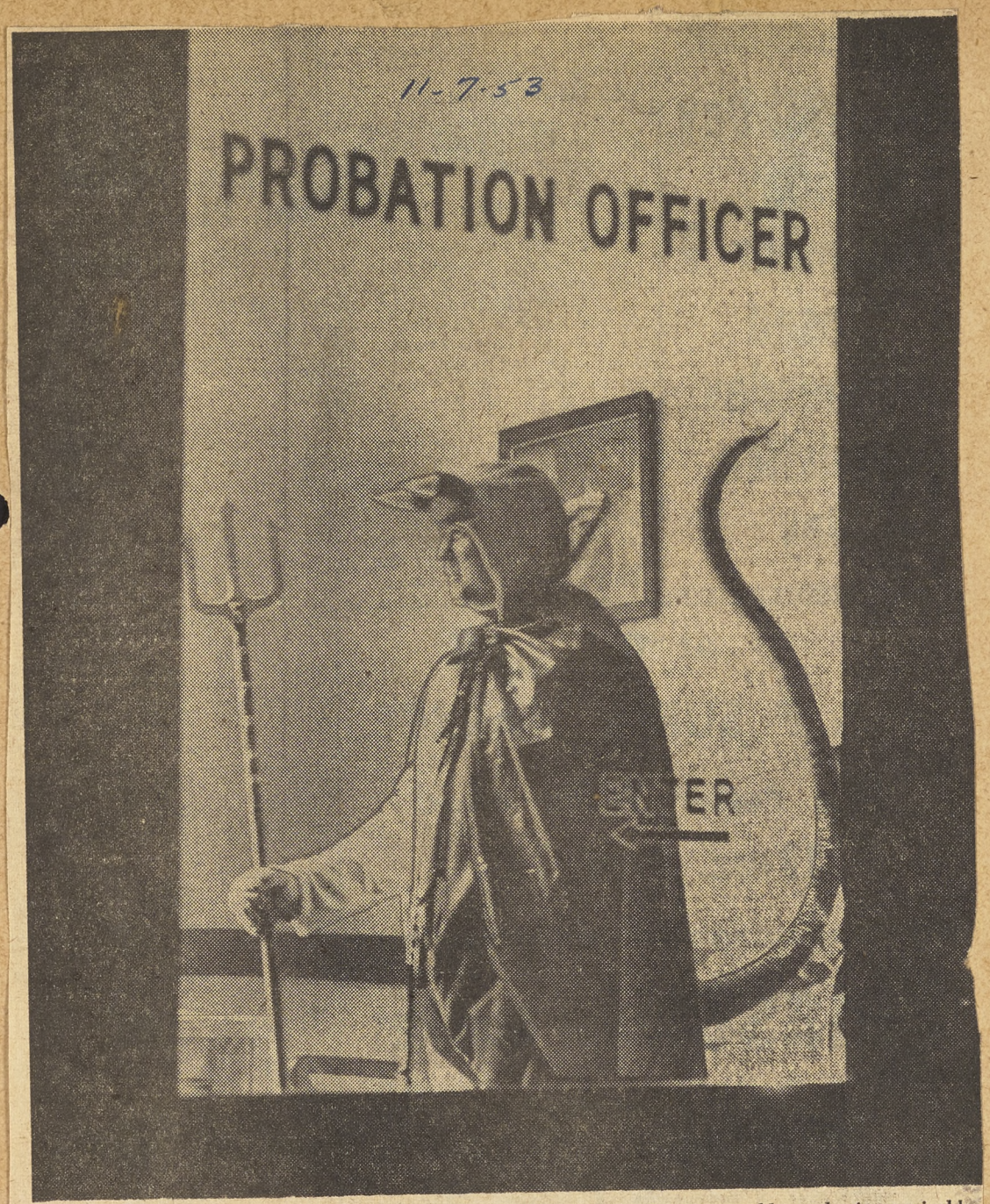

SHOP TALK between devil and Probation Officer Joseph A. Torchio would not be inconceivable, but in this case it's only John L. Aragoni, a friend without a record. He stopped in while on duty as a guard in devil's costume for GE Halloween witch, Hazel, who was parked outside the courthouse.

Chamber Fund For Lights at Halfway Mark

11/21

6 lines

Pledges to the Chamber of Commerce's Christmas lighting fund have risen with the temperatures and Chairman Sammy Vincent said yesterday that about half of the $15,000 goal has been reached.

The Dodge Construction Company has started work on the sleeves for the 31 posts that are to be erected on North Street between Kent Avenue and West Street. The poles will be set up next week and the lights will be turned on Nov. 30. There will be 2,000 bulbs of different colors and 9,000 yards of garlands with decorations of bells, Santa Claus faces and other Yuletide symbols.

The committee is seeking contributions from everyone interested in the project. Checks may be sent to the Christmas Decoration Fund Committee, Chamber of Commerce, 50 South St.

The Department of Parks and Recreation made its contribution to the festive, but warm, atmosphere by placing a 30-foot red spruce Christmas tree in the City Hall Park yesterday.

Permanent Yule Tree Offered to City By Optimist Club

11/24

Civil Service posters announcing openings for two Park Department positions were reviewed by the Park Commission at a meeting last night. The texts were checked regarding job description and necessary qualifications. Examination dates have not been announced yet.

The first was for one of two recreation supervisor's posts, held temporarily by Miss Hilda Swanson. The other was for the job of maintenance supervisor, held by William F. Fitzgerald who will retire Dec. 2. The latter position will be filled by Robert Bohlman until a permanent replacement is named.

The commission discussed the proposed department budget for 1954 which is to be presented to the mayor tomorrow. The figure was not disclosed.

An offer from the Optimist Club to plant a permanent fir tree in Park Square for use each Christmas was tabled until next year. The department used a different tree each year and the one in Park Square now was obtained from Lanesboro.

More Praise for Floats

City Council Thanks GE People

Letters of thanks are still streaming into the Transformer Division for the floats constructed by G.E. people for the annual Halloween parade.

Latest message received here was from the Pittsfield City Clerk, who forwarded a copy of a resolution unanimously adopted by the Pittsfield City Council November 10.

To All Employees

While witches, space ships, show boats, and all the rest have become pleasant memories, the other letters on this page emphasize the fact they are truly lasting memories.

Now that all the sparks and witch cackles have subsided, we want to express our personal thanks to all the people who supplied the hard work and terrific enthusiasm necessary, both on the projects and in the audience, to make the General Electric employees' floats so successful.

This kind of community effort brings to a focus things we already take too much for granted in our daily business efforts. The Golden Rule is foremost in our American way of life, and the fact that we do have consideration for the other fellow is what makes such teamwork possible.

W. S. Ginn — F. C. Smith

General Manager
Power Transformer Dept.

General Manager
Distribution Transformer Dept.

The resolution stated that:

"Whereas the Halloween street parade sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department of the City of Pittsfield has brought joy and entertainment to thousands of residents both young and old of Pittsfield and the surrounding area, and

Vandalism Reduced

"Whereas the vandalism and damage traditional to Halloween have been greatly reduced because of the attraction of this parade for the youth of the city, and

"Whereas the citizens of Pittsfield feel a just debt to those responsible for this great civic enterprise, and

"Whereas the Halloween parade and its resultant benefits would not be possible except for the ingenious participation of hundreds of employees of the General Electric Company and the generous contributions of the company itself,

"Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the city council, on behalf of

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Letter from Hebert

Another letter of thanks from a city official was also sent to G.E. employees by Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the city's department of parks and recreation. In his letter, Mr. Hebert said:

"I would like to express my sincere thanks to the General Electric Company and its employees who donated so much of their time and effort in the creation of Hazel, the space ship, the Mississippi show boat and the witches scene.

"During my experience in the field of municipal recreation I have never seen such a splendid display of community spirit and I am sure that the children's children of those who witnessed the parade will continue to tell tales in years to come of the marvelous floats which were entered in the Halloween parade."

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING brightly illuminates the home of Nicholas Collias of 312 Dalton Ave., a past winner in the city-wide Park Department contest for Christmas decorations on houses. Mr. Collias says he can't understand people who don't decorate.

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Carol Singing Opens Tonight In Park Square

12/21/53

The Park Department said today it will sponsor group Christmas carol singing tonight and tomorrow night from 7:30 to 8:30 at Park Square. Various clubs, organizations and church groups will participate.

As in the past, words to well-known Christmas songs will be shown on a large screen so that anyone can join in the program. Before the singing starts, favorite carols will be played over a public address system.

The following groups will sing tonight: The Camp Fire Girls at 7:30, the Girls' Club at 7:45, and St. Joseph's School at 8:15. Tomorrow night the Women's Club will sing at 7:30, the Girl Scouts at 8, and the Orpheus Choir, under the direction of Jack Phillips, at 8:15.

The Park Department extends an invitation to all to join in the singing.

Joseph Poulins Place First In Home Decorations Contest

12/24/53

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Poulin of 295 Second St., last night were awarded first prize in the home division of the Park Department's seventh annual Christmas decorations contest. Their life-sized nativity scene with its unusual lighting effect was judged best out of more than 30 exhibitions originally considered.

Second place went to Edwin Nottke of 100 Livingston Ave. This scene showed five angels singing carols around an organ. Sixteen-year-old Teddy Flynn of 112 Madison Ave., received third prize for his combination scene of the Nativity and Santa Claus and Rudolph the Reindeer.

Mac's Esso Station at 105 West Housatonic St., was judged best in the store decorations division, followed by the Coca Cola Plant in Coltsville and England Brothers. Honorable mention went to the Dalton Avenue Florist and the Western Massachusetts Electric Co.

Other Awards

The House of Flowers had the best Christmas scene in the commercial window division. Follwell's Florist was second and The Berkshire Evening Eagle, third. Jo Ann's Bakery received honorable mention.

The YMCA decoration was first in the city institution division, followed by the Peck's Road Fire Station and Allendale School. The Morningside Fire Station, Tyler Street, received honorable mention.

The following received honorable mention in the home division: A. C. Treece, 422 Pomeroy Ave.; Frank Gogan, 36 Cole Ave.; Edward Clevenger, 30 Lebanon Ave.; Mrs. C. C. Vernier, 95 Adelaide Ave.; John J. Quinn and David Monks.

Final judging in the home division was done by the following American Legion members: Ernest A. and Joseph E. Cancilla, Silas E. Eulian, Theodore J. Hancock, Henry M. Hutchings and John Farrell. Junior Chamber of Commerce members were the judges in the other divisions. They were: Edward Roche, Robert Bewley, Roy Benson, Charles Banker, William Johnston, Donald Treanor and Kenyon Ferry.

Certificates will be presented to all winners in the home division.

12-3-53

IN THE BAG—THEY THINK: Snow fell in Pittsfield at last this morning almost assuring the success of a long publicized Pittsfield-to-Puerto-Rico snow project. W. H. Wooten, at left, public relations director of Eastern Air Lines, and James H. Lucas, at right, executive vice-president of the Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce, looked hopefully up at the sky this morning and caught some of the snow in a midget sister of the monster canvas bags which will really carry the snow tomorrow. Both Messrs. Wooten and Lucas, concerned by the lack of snow, scurried around the Vermont countrysides yesterday looking for a substitute area where snow might be collected. Today's storm, with three to five inches predicted, pretty well convinced the worried publicists that the stunt would go off as scheduled—tomorrow at Bousquet's ski area.

Berkshire Gets Snow--Some for Puerto Rico

A driving rain changed to snow at 3.40 this morning transforming Berkshire highways into slick skating rinks, a condition highway crews started correcting almost immediately.

Good News to Some

The long-awaited snow brought a combination of seasonal headaches to highway departments, but caused loud rejoicing in some quarters. The wet, heavy snow fell just in time for the Chamber of Commerce and Eastern Air Lines officials to fill a two-ton snow order for the citizens of Puerto Rico.

Plans for the snow-to-Puerto Rico project really swung into high gear this morning with the coming of the storm, and the packaging is scheduled to take place tomorrow morning at about 10 at Bousquet's ski area.

The huge canvas fibre-glass-lined bags were brought into the city this morning by Eastern Airlines photographers who flew in from Miami last night. The two men arrived at Idlewild Airport in New York last night and drove into Pittsfield this morning.

The snow will be packed tomorrow into the bags, which have been cooled in the monster freezers of the General Ice Cream Corporation, 48 Elm Street, and then trucked to New York City.

In Puerto Rico Monday

From New York City, it will be flown by an EAL Constellation at 11.45 tomorrow night. The snow will arrive in San Juan, Puerto Rico, at 6.40 Monday morning.

It will be taken immediately to the main ball park in San Juan and stored as part of the festivities for the "Three Kings" celebration on Tuesday.

Madam Felisa Rincon de Gautier, woman mayor of San Juan, will accept the snow and throw out the first snowball, marking the official beginning of celebrations.

Yesterday, it looked as if the snow for Puerto Rico would have to come from another area. W. H. Wooten, public relations director for EAL, alarmed by the lack of snow, thought it was time to look around the surrounding areas. Both he and James H. Lucas, executive vice-president of the local Chamber of Commerce, which is cooperating in the snow project, traveled to Rutland, Vt. and made tentative plans to secure the snow there.

Meanwhile, officials of Jiminy Peak ski area in Hancock, volunteered to donate the crusty snow which still lingered on their hilltops.

End to Uncertainty

Today's snow put an end to the uncertainty of the project. The Pittsfield weatherman predicted from three to four inches of snow today, changing to flurries in the early evening with colder weather tonight—all ideal conditions for the snow-carrying project.

Eighth Annual Easter Hunt To Offer 180 Dozen Eggs

3-28-53

Pittsfield children will be out in search of rich reward a week from tomorrow during the eighth annual Easter egg hunt.

The sponsoring Exchange Club and Park Department have announced there will be more eggs to look for and more prizes for finding them than ever before.

Before the big search begins at 3 in the afternoon, 180 dozen brightly-colored eggs will be hidden at Clapp Park.

Youngsters who are lucky enough to find the gold, silver, black, largest and smallest prize eggs will be rewarded. Prizes include four live Easter rabbits and 17 Easter baskets. The youngest hunter will receive a special prize.

Children will compete in four age groups; two years old and under, three and four, five and six, and seven through nine. Each group will search in a different area.

One Prize Abandoned

In past years, the youngster who found the most eggs was given a prize. But this has been eliminated this time to give everybody a chance.

Park Department and auxiliary police will be on hand in a supervisory capacity. Girl Scouts will help the small children get around the park.

If it's a rainy day, the hunt will be postponed until the following Sunday, April 12. An announcement will be made by 1.30 PM Easter afternoon.

Final plans for the event will be discussed at a meeting Tuesday night at the Exchange Club. Hermann A. Clement is chairman.

Goodrich Pond Sought for City Park

3-26-53

Planning Board, Lakewood Group Favor Purchase

Recommendations for acquiring Goodrich Pond in the Lakewood section for use as a city park will be made soon by the Planning Boad, it was disclosed at City Hall today.

The proposal is part of a "neighborhood plan" being prepared by the Planning Board as a guide to future development of the area by the city. Similar plans have already been issued for the Peck's Road and Allengate areas.

At an informal meeting at City Hall last week, representatives of the Lakewood Civic Association told the Planning Board that they strongly favor the idea of making Goodrich Pond a city park. Association spokesmen have also discussed the proposal with Mayor Capeless.

Survey Needed

Extensive legal spade-work would probably be required before any steps toward acquisition of the pond could be taken. The pond itself is owned by Miss Anna W. Peck of 21 Pomeroy Avenue, but her deed to it dates back to the 18th century and the boundaries would presumably be hard to trace today.

Just to complicate matters, the pond has apparently increased in size considerably since the original deed. It now covers about 11½ acres.

Miss Peck informed the Lakewood Sportsmen's Club recently that she would be willing to sell the property for its assessed valuation, which is $500. Until the area is re-surveyed, however, it will probably be impossible to determine how much, if any, of the shore line is included in this holding.

The Lakewood Sportsmen's Club decided it was not in a position to buy the property. The club favors the proposal to make the pond a park.

SNOW-TO-PUERTO RICO PAYS OFF: Headliners at the 64th annual dinner meeting of the Chamber of Commerce last night at the Sheraton Hotel admire a collection of 300 coconuts sent to Pittsfield by the mayoress of San Juan Puerto in reciprocation for the snow flown there by the Chamber and Eastern Airlines for the Three Kings (Christmas) celebration. Left to right are: Harold D. Barnes, retiring president of the Chamber; Mayor Robert T. Capeless; Laurence F. Whittemore, president of the New England Council, who was speaker of the evening; and Charles W. Dewey, new Chamber president.

Final Plans Set For Egg Hunt Easter Sunday

4/1/53

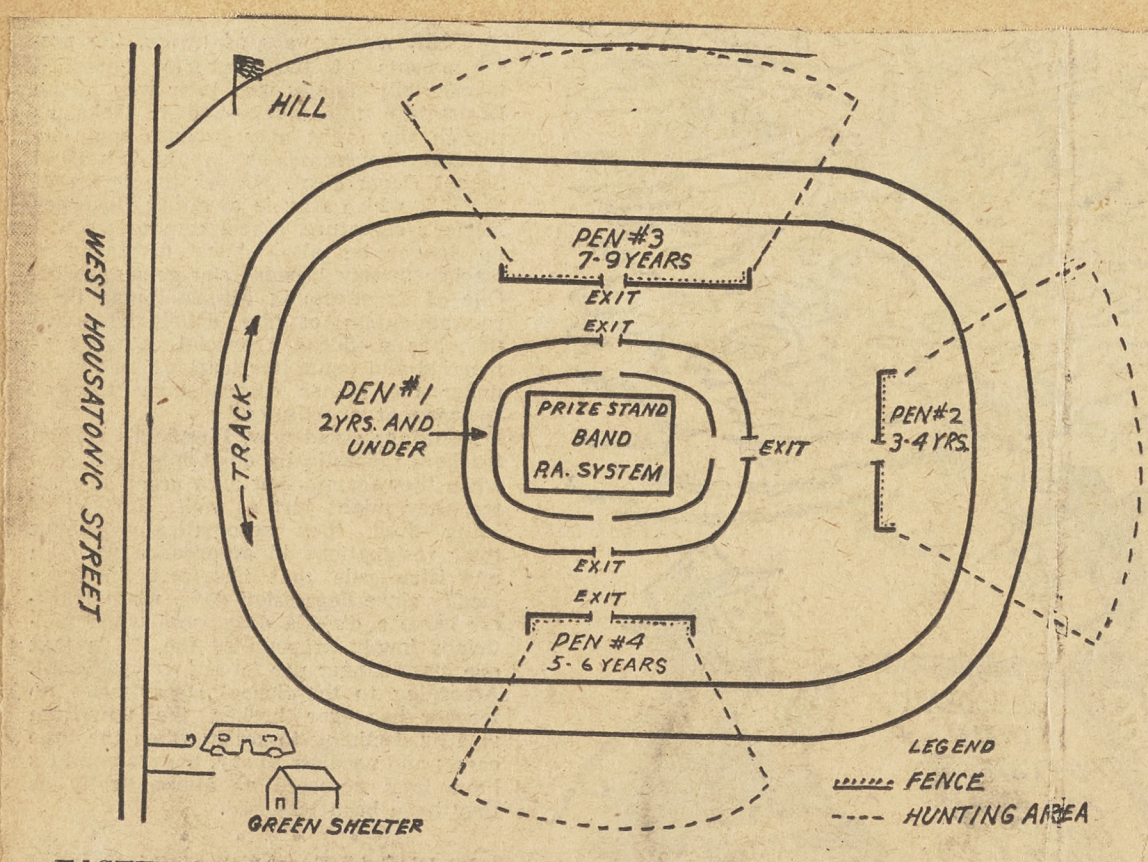
Exchange Club members and the Park Department last night settled final arrangements for the big Easter egg hunt Sunday at Clapp Park.

Robert L. Betit, John W. Gull, Dr. Donald G. Exford and Joseph F. McKeon will be in charge of the pens for youngsters in the four age groups.

The pen for tiny tots two years old and under will be located in the center of the track, with the three-and-four-year-old pen at the south end of the field. Five and six year olds will hunt on the west side of the track while seven and nine year olds will search on the hill.

The locations were picked to eliminate congestion.

The prize stand and public address system donated by the Movie Mart will be located on a platform in the center of the park, along with a five-piece band. This will also serve as the lost and found bureau. A first-aid trailer will be furnished by Andy's Trailer Sales and a Red Cross attendant will be on the scene.



EASTER EGG HUNTING AREA: By studying this layout of Clapp Park, parents will know where their children should report for the eighth annual Easter Egg Hunt tomorrow afternoon at 3. The Exchange Club is co-operating again with the Parks and Recreation Department in providing volunteers to assist in carrying out details of the event.

Egg Hunt Tomorrow Starts at 3 PM

The Pittsfield Parks and Recreation Department's eighth annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for tomorrow at 3 PM in Clapp Park. In case of rain the egg hunt will be postponed until the following Sunday.

Egg hunters, who must be nine years old or under, should get their bags or baskets and report to their age-group pen to take part in the race for 180 dozen eggs hidden throughout the hunting area. Children two years old and under will hunt in an enclosure in front of the prize stand. Hunters will enter the pens from openings in the back to allow early arrivals to hold their much-sought-after front row places.

Exchange Club members who have volunteered to assist will carry extra eggs for unsuccessful hunters so that every child will take home at least one egg. The prize for the collection of the most eggs has been replaced by a silver egg to avoid pooling of eggs which occurred in past years and meant some children did not receive any eggs.

A live rabbit will be awarded to each finder of a golden egg in each of the four age groups. Other hunters who find the black, silver, largest and smallest eggs will win large Easter baskets. The youngest hunter, to be determined before the hunt begins, will also be awarded an Easter basket.

Eggs and baskets are being stored at the Park Department, and pens are being constructed by maintenance men in readiness for the hunt. The large artificial rabbit will be placed in the park on Sunday morning. A four-piece band will play during the hunt in the afternoon.

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BUNNY CAPERS: Easter rabbit Bernard J. Murphy, son of Councilman Murphy of 3 McLaughlin Place, left, holds the interest of these three children, prize winners in the two-year-old and younger class at the egg hunt yesterday at Clapp Park. They are, left to right, William Finn, who found the golden egg, Katherine Murah, silver egg, and Barbara Ann Scoco, largest egg.

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Pittsfield small fry with some parental backing made a clean sweep of yesterday's Easter egg hunt at Clapp Park.

Approximately 2100 colored eggs, more than one apiece for the record 2000 youngsters competing, disappeared like magic as the warm sun beamed down on this eighth annual Park Department-Exchange Club holiday frolic.

Of course the rewards weren't evenly divided among the searchers, for some entrants were viewed leaving the park with arms full while others had nothing. But everybody, officials said today, seemed to have a good time.

Major Problem

There was, however, one major problem that may be solved in other years by holding two separate events—one for the children and one for their parents.

Mothers and dads, eager to see their off-spring do well, competed in some instances almost as actively as the children. This, particularly, was the case among the younger age groups.

The tiny tots, two years old and younger, for instance, were hampered in their search by over-enthusiastic parents who rushed out on the field, trampled the eggs and generally got in the way.

Practically the same situation existed in the three-and-four-year-old class. Here, too, uninhibited parents battled for possession of the brightly-painted ovals.

Pen for Parents?

"We'll have to build a pen for parents next year," declared Park Superintendent Vincent J. Hebert as he considered the problem.

So intent, in fact, were some parents in aiding their children that they forgot all about them. The lost and found bureau had a busy day handling a steady stream of unescorted kiddies from the time the hunt began until it was over.

But, despite the confusion, the hunt was a success. Proceedings were due to begin at 3 PM, but were delayed slightly when a crowd of late hunters showed up in a bunch.

The troublesome egg-pool problem was eliminated this year because there were no prizes for children who collected the most eggs. On past occasions, youngsters have pooled their findings and shared the rewards.

Eggs for Nearly Everyone

Vigilant park policemen and Exchange Club members made an effort to see that no children left the park empty handed. If they saw an unsuccessful youngster they'd slip him an egg or two from the reserve supply. However, there still were a few who missed out.

High light of the afternoon was a life-size Easter Bunny, well-portrayed, by Bernard Murphy, son of Councilman Bernard J. Murphy of 3 McLaughlin Place. Mr. Murphy, much to the delight of the younger kids, wore a pair of pink satin pants, a purple jacket and an enormous yellow bow tie. His realistic bunny rabbit head had long white ears.

On the bunny side, four live ones were given to the golden-egg winners in each class. The lucky youngsters were: Two-year-old William C. Finn, 52 Hollister Street; four-year-old Nancy Quirk, 21 Murphy Street; six-year-old Adelle Charlerois, 12 Moran Street; and nine-year-old Tommy Grandshaw, 3 Clare Place.

Other Winners

Other winners were: In the two-year-old and under class, Paul Guzzo, black egg; Katherine Murah, silver egg; Barbara Ann Scoco, largest; and Ralph Scalinini, smallest.

In the three and four-year-old class: Richard Lysonski, black egg; John Allessio, silver egg; Karen Johnson, largest; and Betty Guinan, smallest.

In the five and six-year-old class: Patsy Litano, black egg; William Nugent, silver egg; Jean Knight, largest; and Judith Urban, smallest.

In the seven through nine-year-old class: Bernard Edmunds, black egg; Linda Jacquot, silver egg; Linda Scullary, largest; and Beverly Weber, smallest.

Two-month-old Mary Roccabruna of 48 Parkside Avenue, was the youngest competitor.

Safe Driving Contest To Be Held May 9

4-8-53

Junior Chamber Sponsors Event for High School Youths

The Pittsfield Junior Chamber of Commerce announced today that it will hold a safe driving "roadeo" for county high school students May 9.

The county competition is part of a national contest being sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. The Berkshire County contest is being co-sponsored by the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company. In Pittsfield, the School and Police Departments will assist with the contest.

Winner of the county contest will go to Springfield in June to take part in the state competition. Date and place for the national competition will be announced later.

C. A. Neumann and E. D. Treanor are chairmen of the event for the Pittsfield Junior Chamber. High school students interested in entering the contest can secure further information from their teachers, a JC spokesman said.

. . . The Pittsfield Junior Chamber of Commerce safe-driving roadeo for county high school students is so good an idea it's too bad it can't be held daily—and with a senior division.

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Easter Egg Hunt

Some Parents Do Better Than Children In Eighth Annual Clapp Park Scramble

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THEY'RE OFF: With bags and baskets in hand, these five and six-year-old youngsters spurt from the starting line and spread out in search of Easter eggs during the annual hunt yesterday at Clapp Park. Some of the more eager parents, seen behind fence in background, soon joined contest.

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Gordon Reynolds, boss man of the city's spring clean-up campaign, could use some of the parents at yesterday's egg hunt. Best cleaner-uppers you ever saw .

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9/16/53

By CATHERINE GERARD

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Forty Attend Weekly Social Of Young Adults

5-21-53

More than 40 attended the first weekly social of the Young Adults last night at Springside House. The program included round and square dancing, volleyball, badminton, ping-pong and bridge.

Beginning June 24, the Park Department will furnish archery instruction and equipment each Wednesday evening.

Louis Graham is making arrangements for an overnight camping trip Saturday. Those attending will drive to the Fay Fuller Camp on the Bennington-Brattleboro road, and spend the night in the closed stone shelter, with bunks for 12 persons. On Sunday, they will climb Glastonbury Mountain to the fire tower, which commands the best view of the trail, according to Mr. Graham. Young adults over 18 years old who are interested may call the Park Department. Those attending must provide their own cooking, hiking and sleeping equipment. Food will be purchased by the group.

Miss Kathy Wowk will represent the Young Adults on the city-wide tennis committee at a meeting June 2, after which she will report on efforts to stimulate interest in tennis and plans for the annual tournament.

Park Department's Young Adults Plan Picnic on June 10

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The young adult group of the Park Department will hold a picnic supper at Camp Merrill Wednesday, June 10, instead of the meeting at the Springside House. Arrangements will be made by Jack Birnbaum, Louis Graham, and the Misses Frances Barry, Katherine Hannon, Barbara Hutchinson and Patricia Fitzpatrick. Reservations can be made at the Park Department.

The possibility of a roller skating party is being investigated by Miss Jane Wowk. The third weekly social will be Wednesday evening at 7.30. Miss Frances Barry and Jack Birnbaum are chairmen.

Miss Kathy Wowk, Miss Barbara Weston and Miss Frances Barry were appointed to purchase records for the group and to replace those borrowed in the past. Proceeds accumulated from contributions of those attending weekly affairs will be used for this purpose.

About 52 attended the social at the Springside House Wednesday. Badminton and volleyball were canceled because of rain, but the young adults participated in round and square dancing, bridge, and ping-pong. Instruction was held for beginners. Arrangements were made by Miss Barry, Miss Hannon and Sommers Brown.

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6-2-53

Park Department's Young Adult Group Schedules Picnic

The picnic committee of the Young Adult Group of the Park Department, meeting last evening, planned a supper and social activities for Wednesday, June 10, at Springside House. Reservations for supper at 6.30 may be made by calling the Park Department office by Monday or at the Wednesday evening social tomorrow. Members will build simple fireplaces for the cook-out. No reservations are required for dancing to follow.

Arrangements for the regular Wednesday social are made by Miss Frances Barry, Miss Katherine Hannon and Jack Birnbaum. They include round and square dancing, ping-pong, volleyball, badminton and bridge. Bridge players are asked to arrive promptly at 7.30 to participate in other activities later in the evening.

Meeting to compile the bi-monthly bulletin of young adult activities, a committee requested that notices of events of interest to young adults be sent to the Park Department on the 1st and 15th of each month.

Movies Listed For Series at Little Cinema

1:5-53

Joint Sponsors Are Berkshire Museum and Park Dept. Group

Moving pictures to be shown at the special fall cinema club series at the Little Cinema of the Berkshire Museum were announced today.

The four-week series, sponsored by the Young Adults of the Park Department and the Museum, will be held on Tuesday evenings, beginning Oct. 27. Membership will be by subscription to the entire series, and no single admittances will be available.

Showings will be at 8:15 p.m., and a coffee hour will follow.

Opening the performances will be a classic, and 1935 Academy Award winner, "Mutiny On the Bounty," starring Charles Laughton and Clark Gable. All other films are new. "High Treason," a British picture will be seen Nov. 3.

A double-feature, which also will be shown to the public on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings, Nov. 20 to 22, is planned for Nov. 17: The best documentary feature of 1952, "The Sea Around Us," by Rachel Carson; and Robert Preston in "The Bride Comes to Yellow Sky," by Stephen Crane.

The final offering will be a foreign romance, "Casque d'Or," starring Simone Signoret.

50 at Social

More than 50 attended a Young Adult social last night at Springside House, following a committee meeting, attended by 12.

Reservations for the hayride next Wednesday will close at 5 p.m. Monday. All single young adults over 18 may make reservations by calling the Park Department. Those attending are to meet at the Common at 7:30. Dancing at Kimball's barn will follow. The event will be held instead of the regular social.

Young Adults Plan Picnic Wednesday

6-2-53

The Young Adult Group sponsored by the Park Department will hold a picnic at 6 Wednesday evening at Camp Merrill to conclude the weekly summer series of socials and archery instruction. A cook-out will be followed by dancing to recorded music in the recreation hall.

Weekly attendance at the social has averaged between 30 and 40. A meeting for representatives of all young adult groups will be called soon to plan fall and winter activities.

11/17/53

Young Adult Group Hears Report on Movie Series

More than 70 tickets have been sold for the foreign film series, sponsored by the Young Adult Club of the Park Department, Miss Ann Kelly and Miss Dorothy Mitchell reported at a meeting of the group last evening.

The Academy award winner: "The Sea Around Us," and "The Bride Comes to Yellow Sky," will be presented at 8:15 Nov. 17, and at special showings for the public on Nov. 20, 21, 22 in the Little Cinema at the museum. Coffee will be served at the social hour following the movies. Tickets are available at the museum.

Plans for a dinner and dance were postponed until the end of January.

Activities Listed

Arrangements have been made for movies, produced and made available by the General Electric, Miss Barbara Hutchinson and Alvin Lerner announced. The films will be shown at Springside House at 8 Tuesday evening, Nov. 24. The program includes "A Chance to Play," on municipal and industrial recreation; "Clean Waters," which portrays the importance of our natural resources; and "Pipeline to the Clouds," describing the water supply in the American community of today.

Bridge instruction, under the direction of Louis Stallkamp, will resume Wednesday, and will continue on alternate weeks from 7:30 to 9 Any interested young adult is invited.

The YMCA Outing Club extended an invitation to the Young Adults to attend their first meeting at 7:30 this evening in the YMCA.

The next committee meeting will be at 7:30 Wednesday evening, Nov. 25, at the Springside House.

Young Adults Consider Series Of Foreign Films

1-26-54

Plans for a foreign film series in Pittsfield, similar to the ones presented in the past by the Riggs Center in Stockbridge, were discussed at a recent meeting of the Park Department's Young Adult special interest group.

Alan Lerner is representing the group on a committee, headed by Pier Abetti, which is investigating the possibilities of presenting the films in the spring at the Little Cinema. The series would consist of foreign films, which have not been shown in Pittsfield, and sponsored by various groups such as the Young Adults, in addition to the Riggs Center.

All sponsoring groups would assist with expenses of fliers, and sell subscriptions.

Public Events

8/24/53

Tonight

6.00—Young Adult Group picnic sponsored by Park Department. Camp Merrill.

8.40—"The House of Bernarda Alba." Festival Theatre, Lenox.

8.45—"Bunty Pulls the Strings." Berkshire Playhouse, Stockbridge.

8.45—Opening of "Detective Story." Malden Bridge (N.Y.) Theatre.

Young Adults To See Movies

11-23-53

Movies from the GE library will be shown at a meeting of the Park Department's Young Adult Club at 8:30 tomorrow evening at Springside House. The movies are entitled: "Industrial Recreation," "National Resources," and "Water Supply."

The regular social will be held at 9 Wednesday evening at the Springside House, preceded by a committee meeting at 7:30.

Any interested young adult is invited.

Square Dance Instruction Offered At Springside House

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Square dance instruction for beginners and those more advanced will begin for young adults at Springside House tonight at 7:30. Don West of the Berkshire County Square Dance Assn. will be the instructor. Instruction periods will be alternate weeks from 7:30 to 9, preceding the socials. It is open to any single young adult.

Two bridge instruction sessions have been conducted by Louis Stallkamp. The next session will be Dec. 9 at Springside House and will be open to any beginner or advanced bridge players.

Springside House To Be Closed For Rewiring

1-13-54

Due to the necessity of rewiring Springside House, the Young Adults group will meet this evening at 7:30 for square dance instruction at the YMCA in Room A, according to Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of Parks and Recreation.

The regular social will be held in the same room from 9 to 12 p.m.

Mr. Hebert received a communication from Superintendent of Public Buildings John Reddy concerning the dangerous condition of wiring at Springside House. He ordered than all dancing and active programs in the building must be discontinued until the entire building has been rewired. As soon as the situation has been remedied activities will commence on the usual basis. Meeting places for the young adults will be announced.

A young adult informal dramatic group is being organized, and assistance is sought from members of the Town Players. Those interested in joining the group should contact Mrs. Charles R. Jordan at the Park Department.

Fifteen young adults participated in skating at Springside Thursday evening and another skating party has been scheduled for tomorrow evening.

Young Adults To Plan Carnival Square Dance

A committee of eight members of the Young Adult Group of the Parks and Recreation Department will meet tonight at 7:30 at Springside House to discuss plans and choose a theme for the winter carnival square dance. This dance, sponsored by the Berkshire County Square Dance Assn., and the winter carnival committee, will be held Friday, Feb. 5, at the Masonic Temple. All young adults are invited to assist with the decorating, Wednesday, Feb. 3.

Because of the necessary re-wiring of Springside House, the Wednesday night dances have been canceled until further notice. The young adult special interest groups will continue to meet Wednesday evening at Springside House.

Allen Lerner will report at a meeting tonight at 8:30 on a recent committee meeting headed by Pier Abetti. The committee discussed the possibility of bringing the Riggs Clinic Film Series to Pittsfield. The Young Adults are being asked, along with other Pittsfield groups, to sponsor the series in cooperation with Riggs Clinic.

The new informal dramatic club will meet tonight at 9 at Springside House to discuss activities of the group.

The regular young adult skating party will be tomorrow evening at Springside Park. 1-20-54

Young Adult Groups Meet This Evening At Springside House

1-27-54

Miss Theda Litridis of Town Players will attend a meeting of the newly organized Young Adult Dramatic Group at 9:30 this evening at the Springside House. She will assist the group with their activities.

At the first meeting last week, Miss Pheobe Bell and William A. Hosmer were named chairmen. The group tentatively plans to attempt a one-act play. Those interested in any phase of dramatic productions are asked to attend.

Young adults interested in playing bridge will meet at 8 this evening at the Springside House. Alan Lerner is making plans to present free films from the General Electric Library to Young Adults on Wednesday evenings, while dances cannot be held.

Miss Elizabeth Hannon and Robert Weindenhoft, chairmen of the decorating committee for the Winter Carnival square dance Feb. 5 have asked their committee members to meet at 8 this evening at the Springside House.

Young Adult Group Names Miss Litridis Dramatic Club Head

Miss Theda Litridis of the Town Players, was recently named as director of the Young Adult Dramatic Group. She will explain the layout of the conventional stage at the next meeting of the group Wednesday, Feb. 10 at Springside House. A Noel Coward one-act play will be cast for practice in acting and production.

More than 12 young adults attended the last meeting, according to Miss Phobe Bell and William A. Hosmer, chairmen. Any young adult interested in any phase of dramatics is urged to join the group. No previous dramatic experience is necessary as the group is composed of beginners.

The Young Adults will meet tonight at the Masonic Temple at 7 to decorate for the winter carnival square dance, Friday, and is sponsored by the Berkshire County Square Dance Assn. and the Winter Sports Committee.

Miss Elizabeth Hannon and Robert Weindenhoft, chairmen of the young adult decorating committee have asked all young adults to assist with decorating.

A general committee meeting will be held during the evening at the Masonic Temple to plan a February dinner and dance for young adults, 2-3-54

Film Society Plans 6 Shows At Museum

3/31/54

Dr. Pier Abetti Is President of Nonprofit Group

Organization of the Berkshire Film Society, a nonprofit group which will sponsor six film showings at the Berkshire Museum this season, was announced today by Dr. Pier A. Abetti, president of the organization's executive committee.

Other officers of the society are: Mrs. Erik H. Erikson of Stockbridge, secretary; Richard V. Pelton of Lenox, treasurer; Alvin H. Lerner and Samuel Sass of Pittsfield, membership; John W. Adams and Christopher Bishop and Clemens D. Kalischer of Stockbridge, and Harold Brunton of Pittsfield, programs, and Atty. Frederick M. Myers Jr., legal adviser.

The society plans to show a series of 35 and 16 mm. current and older films of permanent interest of both American and foreign production. They also plan to include documentaries, experimental works and animated cartoons on each program.

Only members of the society will be admitted to the showings, and no single admissions will be sold, Dr. Abetti announced. This is because many films to be shown only can be rented on condition that no single admissions be sold, and in order to best finance the society, he explained. The program for this season's series will be released later.

The society is sponsored by the following groups: Berkshire Museum; Pittsfield Young Adults Group; Austen Riggs Center; Friends of the Berkshire Athenaeum and the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

2/18/54

Park Dept. Group Names Chairmen for Young Adult Dinner

Miss Barbara A. McNeice and Donald McGovern have been named chairmen of a St. Patrick's Day dinner and dance for young adults at 6:30 Wednesday evening, March 10, at the YMCA.

Due to the cancellation of weekly dances at the Springside House, for re-wiring purposes, the monthly dinner dance socials will be a substitute.

The buffet-style turkey dinner will be catered by Mrs. Charles A. Weatherby. Miss Katherine Wowk is reservation chairman, and William A. Hosmer and Miss Phoebe Bell, decoration chairmen.

Drama Club Rehearsal

The dramatic club rehearsal, under the direction of Miss Theda Litridis of the Town Players was attended by 28. Project committees were formed to allow all attending to participate in the production of Noel Coward's one-act play, "Ways and Means." Chairmen named were: Miss Janet Demick, publicity; Gilbert Ross, sets committee; and Miss Elizabeth Hannon, costumes.

Allen Lerner, young adult representative to the Riggs' Center Foreign Film Series, gave a report on the committee's plans. The Young Adult group will help sponsor six film series to be presented at the Little Cinema during March, April and May. They will sell subscriptions to the series and advertising.

Dramatic Group Meets Tonight

3/3/54

The Young Adult Dramatic Group will meet tonight at 8 at Springside House, a half hour earlier than usual. The evening will be devoted to construction of model stage settings appropriate for the play "Ways and Means" which the young adults will present soon. Materials to make model stages will be available at the meeting. Some members will design posters, for which the Park Department will furnish materials. The cast will rehearse at an earlier hour or in a separate room in the future.

Allen Lerner will report on the foreign film series plans to date.

No Meeting

The Dramatic Club will not meet next Wednesday because of the dinner dance at the YMCA. Young adults are reminded to make their dinner reservations at the Park Department by Monday.

Future plans for the dramatic group will include speakers on special subjects such as directing, make-up and sets. Recordings of plays will be presented at some meetings, followed by a discussion period. The Dramatic Group is open to any interested young adult over 18 years of age; it is directed by Miss Theda Litridis of the Town Players. Some members of the Young Adult Dramatic Club will attend the regular Town Players meeting tonight. It is hoped that more people can be recruited for the Town Players group from the young adults.

Square Dance at Y Tomorrow Night

The Young Adults' Club of the YMCA is holding a square dance tomorrow at 8 p.m. in the Y.

Music will be provided by Don Weston of the Berkshire County Square Dance Assn., who will also call the dances. Louis Graham of 72 Stratford Ave. and R. Douglas Jordan of the Y are in charge of the dance. All interested young adults have been invited. 2/23/54